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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/28/68

Mrs. TIFFANY JONAS, 914 Beverly Glen Boulevard, was interviewed at her residence and furnished the following information:

She worked on the KENNEDY Campaign Committee for Los Angeles and was at the Ambassador Hotel on the morning Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated.

At approximately 10:30 PM on June 4, 1968, she accompanied by her husband, DAVID JONAS, arrived at the Ambassador Hotel where they intended to go to the Embassy Room to await Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's victory speech. They made several attempts to enter the Embassy Room, but it was so crowded it was impossible to get in. In an effort to get into the room, they attempted to pass through the kitchen area, but were stopped by Security Guards.

After spending some time in the Press Room, adjacent to the kitchen, she and her husband went to the Ballroom for cocktails. While drinking in the Ballroom, she became separated from her husband who returned after about half an hour and said he was going home because of the large crowd. After her husband left, she again attempted to get into the Embassy Room and was standing near the doors which go into the Press Room, kitchen and the Embassy Room, when she heard what she thought was the breaking of balloons. Shortly after the loud popping sounds, there was screaming and a great deal of pushing by the crowd. The entire area, where there were three doors, became very crowded and after asking several people what was going on, she was informed Senator KENNEDY had been shot. By this time, she was standing near the Press Room door holding on to a Security Guard.

While standing near the Security Guard, a man carrying a large television camera attempted to get into the Press Room door, and the Security Guard attempted to stop him. A great deal of shoving and scuffling occurred and the man carrying the camera ended up on the floor along with the Security Officer. At this time, VICKIE CUCCIA came by and

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said that ERWIN STROLL had been shot and was being taken to the Central Receiving Hospital.

Mrs. JONAS said she was a good friend of STROLL's and upon learning that he had been shot and was being taken to the hospital, went to Central Receiving Hospital to see if he was seriously hurt. At approximately 12:40 she arrived at Central Receiving Hospital and after telling the Security Guards that she was the mother of STROLL, she was allowed to go into the hospital and talk to the nurse. The nurse advised that STROLL was being taken care of and was being sent to Midway Hospital for an operation to remove the bullet from his leg. She then went to Midway Hospital staying there until STROLL's parents arrived.

She stated that while at the Ambassador Hotel, she observed nothing irregular and upon observing a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, she advised that she does not recall ever seeing him in her life.

Mrs. JONAS furnished the following list of people she knew who were at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968:

WILLIAM COX	Phone 483-8081 360 South West Lake Avenue Room 409 Los Angeles
VICKIE CUCCIA	Phone 389-6207 730 South Kingsley Apartment 360 Los Angeles
LYNN and KEN YOUNGER	Phone 734-0519 No address
FAY WHITE	Phone 295-4780 4149 Don Jose Street Los Angeles

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STEVE WAGNER	Phone 769-1294 12237 Califa Street North Hollywood
PAT WILLIAMS	Phone 296-0238 No address
JUDY BRAND	Phone 674-5615 10323 Ocean Gate Avenue Inglewood
SUSAN BRYAN	Phone MA8-5874 945 Edgeware Road Los Angeles
C.H. MC INTYRE	Phone NO3-5342 3845 Las Feliz Los Angeles
DONNA JOSEPH	Phone 275-8753 No address
BRENDA KRAMER	Phone CR4-3655 335 North Palm Drive Beverly Hills
ROSELA BUNDY	Phone 277-5596 or 277-3810 2160 Century Park East Suite No. 612
PHIL MULLER	Phone 661-7326 No address
SHERRI MARKS	Address unknown, but member of Young Professionals
JOY THORNTON	Also member of Young Professionals
JAKE WALKER	3725 3rd Avenue Los Angeles
SAUNDRA TAYLOR	Phone 666-0001 1211½ North Commonwealth Los Angeles Business phone 663-8925

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1Date 7/8/68

DONNA JOSEPH, who resides at 3375 Manning, Los Angeles, advised that she had been one of the KENNEDY Campaigners for several weeks prior to the victory celebration at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. She stated that on the evening of June 4, 1968, she spent most of the evening at the Ambassador Hotel and that at approximately 12 midnight or shortly thereafter, she was in the small corridor exit behind the stage of the Embassy Room where Senator KENNEDY was just finishing a speech to his supporters. She stated that as the Senator left the Embassy Room and proceeded towards the kitchen, she and several other KENNEDY Campaigners stayed behind in the corridor or press area and tried to keep too many people from crowding into the kitchen behind the Senator.

Miss JOSEPH stated that very shortly after the Senator walked into the kitchen, she heard a great deal of noise and confusion coming from that area. People began to surge out at first stating that "someone had been shot" and finally making other statements to the effect that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. She stated that she was not a witness to the actual shooting and that she at no time entered the pantry or kitchen area where the shooting took place.

She further advised that she did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN anywhere in the hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968.

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Date 6/19/68

JOHN RODMAN JUSTICE, Skyline Inn, Room 260, 2628 Waiwai Loop, advised that he had worked on the staff of the party of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in the Los Angeles area, working out of 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, having obtained this job through one TOM BRADEN, who resides in Oceanside, California. JUSTICE related that in this capacity, he was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968.

JUSTICE related that in the early evening of June 4, 1968, he was in the serving area of the Embassy Room, adjacent to the back right of the podium, helping one RICK ROSEN keep people from going into the serving area from the Embassy Room.

Sometime between 10:00 and 11:00 PM, on June 4, 1968, JUSTICE observed a man and a woman in the serving area who, according to JUSTICE, were "definitely together," and this couple looked suspicious.

JUSTICE related that he asked this man to clear the area and the man said that he was with CBS. He was then asked if he was with the camera crew and this man said, "Yes". According to JUSTICE, members of the press were supposed to have a yellow press badge in their possession but that neither one of this couple had such a badge visible and JUSTICE did not ask this couple to display a press badge.

According to JUSTICE, while this couple was in the serving area the man made a phone call which was about fifteen minutes in length, and after completing this call the couple disappeared through the serving area and this was the last time that JUSTICE had seen them.

JUSTICE described this couple as follows:

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Number 1:

Sex	Male
Height	5 feet 11 inches
Age	Late 20's
Build	Light to medium
Eyes	Dark
Hair	Dark
Dress	Light coat, cannot recall color; Dark pants, cannot recall color.
Accent	None

Number 2:

Sex	Female
Characteristics	Attractive
Height	Average
Age	Late 20's
Hair	Short, dark
Eyes	Not blue
Dress	Well-dressed with white dress having black polka dots (does not recall size of dots)
Accent	None

JUSTICE thought that he recalled that this girl was carrying a manila-type folder.

JUSTICE advised that he feels sure he could identify the unknown female from photographs but he does not believe that he could identify the unknown man and that he has been unable to identify the man as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, whose photographs have appeared in the newspapers.

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JUSTICE related that late in the evening the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY left the podium in the Embassy Room and walked through the serving area and within a minute or so after KENNEDY walked through the serving area, JUSTICE advised that he heard three "pops" which sounded like firecrackers. This noise came from behind where JUSTICE was standing. Upon hearing these three "pops", JUSTICE turned around and a large group of people was moving from the noise area. According to JUSTICE, there was panic. He related that he did not realize that the noises he heard were gun shots. JUSTICE advised that there was a time lapse of one-half hour to forty-five minutes between the aforementioned unknown man making a call from the serving area to the time when he heard these three "pops".

JUSTICE advised that he went to the area where the shooting occurred but did not see the suspect nor did he hear any woman in a polka-dot dress saying anything to the effect that "we shot him."

According to JUSTICE, RICK ROSEN, 11030 Agua Vista Street, Apartment 40, Los Angeles, telephone 985-5841, and a girl, (first name unknown) last name believed to be O'SULLIVAN, observed the shooting of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and in all probability could describe the entire incident.

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JOHN RODMAN JUSTICE, Skyline Inn, Room 620, 628 Waiwai Loop, Honolulu, viewed six photographs which have been numbered on the back side, depicting the crowd near the podium in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, taken prior to and after the shooting of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

He was unable to identify anyone in any of these photographs who appeared to be identical with a woman he had noted wearing a white dress with black polka-dots.

He commented that in photographs 1 and 2, the lady wearing a black dress with white polka-dots is not the individual he had in mind as the dress is the wrong color and her hair is too long.

With respect to photograph # 3, he commented that the woman wearing the white dress with black polka-dots is not the female he had in mind as her hair is too curly, the collar of the dress is too high, and the polka-dots on the dress are too small.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/10/68

GABOR KADAR, 1346 North Laurel Avenue, Apartment 201, Los Angeles, telephone number OL 6-4998, was interviewed at Diplomat Sales Company, Inc., 309 North Ogden Drive, Los Angeles, telephone number 934-2168. He furnished the following information:

He is the president of the above-mentioned company.

On June 4, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, so that he would be able to see Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said that he was a supporter of Senator KENNEDY.

He arrived at the hotel at approximately 9:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968, and was able to get into the lobby of the hotel, but he was not able to gain entrance to the Embassy Room at the hotel.

He wanted to get into the Embassy Room because he heard that Senator KENNEDY was going to make a speech in that room. He attempted to enter the Embassy Room through the fire escape on the outside of the building but was not able to gain entrance that way either.

He decided to go down to the floor below the Embassy Room because he felt he would have the opportunity to come up a back stairs or find some other way to gain entrance to the Embassy Room.

He estimated that he was down on the floor below the Embassy Room for at least a half hour wandering around trying to determine the best way to get into the room.

He noticed a clothes hamper which contained soiled white cooks' uniforms. He took one of the uniforms out of the clothes hamper and put it on. He thereafter picked up two empty milk cans and carried the milk cans

up a back stairway and gained entrance to the kitchen

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located on the same room as the Embassy Room. From the kitchen, he got into the Embassy Room dressed in the cook's uniform. After he got into the Embassy Room, he took off the cook's uniform and placed it under one of the telephones in the room.

Shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968, he had a position on the right side of the platform from which Senator KENNEDY was making a speech. He took this position on the right side of the platform because he noticed that women dressed in KENNEDY girl outfits had formed an aisle for the Senator to depart from the room.

When the Senator completed his speech he did not come through the aisle formed by the girls but turned and walked off the back of the stage and out through the rear door.

KADAR jumped up on the stage and followed Senator KENNEDY out the rear door.

KADAR estimated that he was about 7 to 10 feet behind Senator KENNEDY when the Senator entered the pantry area.

As he, KADAR, entered the pantry area, he heard what he thought was a string of firecrackers being exploded. At the time he thought there were approximately five rapid explosions.

Almost immediately he noticed a man lying on the floor and observed that the man had been wounded. At the same time, he also noticed that Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor. He rushed past the first man, who was lying on the floor, and bent over Senator KENNEDY. At that time, he observed that Senator KENNEDY was supporting himself on his elbows.

He looked up from Senator KENNEDY and observed two or three individuals who were struggling with a man holding a gun. He later determined that two of the individuals, who were holding this man, were ROOSEVELT GRIER and RAFAEL JOHNSON. He does not know the identity of the third man. They were holding the individual with the gun on top of a metal table.

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He, KADAR, rushed over to the table and vaulted on top of it and grabbed the hand of the man holding the gun. He made several attempts to dislodge the gun from this man's hand but was not successful. He held the man's hand and slammed it against the table several times without success. While he was attempting to take the gun from the man's hand, someone else pried it loose.

KADAR stated that he did not observe the man firing shots from the gun. He only observed the man holding the gun after the shots were fired.

Later in the morning of June 5, 1968, he observed newspaper photographs showing the man who fired the shots, and who was holding the gun, and noticed that the man's name was given as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. KADAR was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

He stated that SIRHAN is the individual who was holding the gun and the individual he tried to take the gun away from on June 5, 1968.

KADAR stated he had not seen SIRHAN at any time prior to June 5, 1968.

KADAR stated he was born [redacted], at Budapest, Hungary, 5'9", 130 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, slender build.

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1Date 6/26/68

ARTHUR KEVIN, also known as Art Kevin, KHJ-TV Channel 9, 5515 Melrose Avenue, phone HO 202133, advised as follows:

He was at the Ambassador Hotel June 4 and 5, 1968 doing live radio broadcasting to New York for his station, KHJ, which he described as being an independent network. He had two microphones set up in the Embassy Room, one on the platform and the other in the back of the room. After Senator KENNEDY gave his speech to those assembled in the Embassy Room around midnight he switched the broadcast to his microphone in the rear of the ballroom and began recapping the speech to the listening audience from notes that he had taken. Just a minute or two after he got into his recap he heard several sounds like balloons popping. He heard several such reports but he does not recall how many. He then switched his program to the news election service at the Biltmore Hotel so that he could find out what had happened since he also heard shouts in the area that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

He tried to get closer to the scene of the action but he could not because of the large number of people assembled in the ballroom. The police arrived very quickly on the scene and he estimated that within six or seven minutes from the time he heard the shots the police had the area blocked off in a commendable fashion.

He did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at any time during the period preceding the shooting nor does he recall seeing a female Caucasian in a polka dot dress at any time during the evening.

He advised that he has tapes of what occurred in the ballroom following Senator KENNEDY's speech but he does not at this time consider anything of pertinent value since he was removed somewhat from the actual incident.

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by SA DAVID H. COOK/llg - 311 - Date dictated 6/26/68

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1Date 7/1/68

Mr. ART KEVIN, Director of Special Events, KHJ-AM Radio, 5515 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California, telephone No. 462-2133, advised the following:

On the morning of June 5, 1968, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated, Mr. KEVIN was on duty for his company in the press section in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. He was not in a position to see the shooting or any immediate aftermath.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and his brothers were exhibited to Mr. KEVIN. He said he had no recollection of seeing any of these persons and had never heard of them prior to the assassination.

He had no other information which, in his opinion, would have a bearing on the matter at this time. He said he would remain alert in the future and advise the FBI should anything come to his attention.

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by SA LESLIE F. WARREN/jmb Date dictated 6/28/68

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1Date 6/13/68

KAREN KLEIN, 1215 Lodi Place, Hollywood, California, (telephone 465-3166) was interviewed at the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, where she has been employed as a secretary in the press room.

KLEIN advised that she was present at the Ambassador Hotel on election night, June 4, 1968, at the time when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated. She explained, however, that she was in the press room at the time of the shooting, and although she initially heard the confusion, that she now knows came from the shooting, she did not go to the area where KENNEDY was shot. She was not a witness to the shooting and the events which took place there. She stated that she has absolutely no further information which she feels relates to the incident. She noted that she had attempted to reconstruct events which occurred during her work in the past, prior, and during the assassination which might be meaningful at this time, but noted that she can recall nothing which took place that would indicate an attempt on the Senator's life was to take place.

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SA MYRON M. HITCH and
SA IRVIN B. WEELS, III/mlb/clp - 313 -
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1Date 7/11/68

KAREN KLEIN, Volunteer Worker for the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign, currently working on the KENNEDY Gun Control Program at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, telephone 937-6380, related the following:

Concerning the identity of a group of singers consisting of one female and two male Caucasians and a male Negro, each in their late teens or early 20's, who had approached KLEIN on the podium in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, during the KENNEDY campaign party on June 4, 1968, she stated the following:

KLEIN recalled the group of singers, who had asked her if it was alright to sing from the podium. She did not know who they were and it appeared to be a bunch of kids, a pick-up group from the kids who hang around rallies seeking to capitalize on them by singing.

She had informed the group that they would not be allowed to sing from the podium but there was no objection to the group standing on the floor in front of the podium and singing. No name or names were used in connection with the group during their request of KLEIN. The latter had no knowledge of who they were or where they could be contacted. She had not seen them before and did not know if they were, in fact, an organized group.

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by SA LESLIE F. WARREN/pjc Date dictated 7/9/68

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Date 7/8/68

Mr. HENRY KOKOJAN, 306 San Mateo Court, Irving, Texas, advised he is a cameraman with the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) at the present time. He stated that he and fellow employees on an NBC filming crew were present in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles from 8:30 PM on the night of June 4, 1968, until the early hours of the morning of June 5, 1968. Mr. KOKOJAN said he and the NBC crew were stationed in the Embassy Room on that date for the purpose of filming the victory speech of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY following the California Primary election on June 4, 1968. Also present in the NBC crew on that date were Mr. A. W. RISSER, a soundman, Mr. CHARLES QUINN, a Washington correspondent for NBC, Mr. TOM McLENDON, an electrician for NBC, who resides in Houston, Texas, Mr. HERB DUDNICK, a coordinator for NBC, who resides in Cleveland, Ohio, and Mr. HENRY GRIGGS, associated with NBC out of Washington, D. C.

Mr. KOKOJAN stated the Embassy Room on that evening was extremely crowded with people celebrating Senator KENNEDY's victory in the primary. He stated there were well-known entertainers present who were entertaining the crowd prior to midnight when Senator KENNEDY was expected to speak. He named one of the entertainers as the well-known singer ROSEMARY CLOONEY. The film being made by the NBC crew on that date was prepared for future use on the NBC network. KOKOJAN said prior to the time the NBC crew arrived in the Embassy Room, there was a French crew who was also there for filming purposes. Mr. KOKOJAN said some filming had taken place in the room before Senator KENNEDY arrived around midnight to make his victory speech. KOKOJAN said he and the NBC crew were stationed on a platform which had been erected on the opposite side of the Embassy Room from where Senator KENNEDY made his speech. This platform had been erected for network and television use.

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KOKOJAN said after Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, he suddenly made his exit from the room through a rear entrance which was somewhat of a surprise to the filming crew who expected Senator KENNEDY to turn to his left from the stand and make his exit from the room through the main entrance door. KOKOJAN presumed Senator KENNEDY made his exit from the room in a different manner because of the huge crowd in the room which would have delayed his exit 15 or 20 minutes before he could reach the main door. He said he knew Senator KENNEDY was hurrying to another room for a press conference and presumed a last minute change had been made to expedite his departure.

KOKOJAN said at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot he was busy with his camera duties on the stand in the Embassy Room and he was not an eye witness to the shooting. He said he first became aware of some confusion at one of the rear doors to the room when he heard persons near the door screaming and crying. KOKOJAN said because the crew had finished shooting films of Senator KENNEDY's speech, no further filming activities were carried on by the crew after the shooting occurred. He said he does not have any photographs which were taken during or after the shooting occurred. He said he has never known nor has he ever seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time. He said he did not know who initiated the change in Senator KENNEDY's route for leaving the Embassy Room and he presumed this was a last minute change because of the tremendous crowd in the room.

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Mrs. BRENDA KRAMER who resides at 335 North Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, telephone number CR 4-3655, advised that she had been a worker at the KENNEDY Headquarters for approximately three or four weeks prior to the assassination of Senator KENNEDY and that she had worked most of the time in the capacity of a switchboard operator. She stated she was at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968, only during the early evening hours. She stated that she was very tired that evening because of the long campaigning hours she had spent and so she left the hotel at approximately 9:30 p.m. and returned to her home. She stated that to her knowledge during the few hours she was at the hotel in the early part of the evening, she did not see anyone who in any way resembled SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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Date 6/20/68

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THOMAS LITTLEWOOD, Washington Correspondent for the "Chicago Sun-Times", National Press Building furnished the following information:

LITTLEWOOD was in the Colonial Room at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California during the evening of June 4 - 5, 1968. He watched a television set in the room and saw on it Senator ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY deliver his victory speech to the group in the Embassy Ballroom at the hotel. LITTLEWOOD was about ten paces from the double doors which led to the kitchen area of the hotel. He was waiting for KENNEDY to finish his speech and come to the Colonial Room to talk with the reporters in the press headquarters set up there. About fifteen to thirty minutes before KENNEDY was shot, HUGH MAC DONALD or RICHARD DRAYNE of the KENNEDY Press staff said KENNEDY would talk with the press in the Colonial Room after he gave his victory speech in the Embassy Room.

About 12:15PM to 12:20PM, LITTLEWOOD heard three distinct shots. About a dozen persons ran from the Colonial Room into the kitchen area. One of these persons was DAVID MURRAY of the "Chicago Sun-Times". LITTLEWOOD rushed with the second wave of people through the door. The scene was utter confusion. LITTLEWOOD saw an arm and hand holding a gun but could not see the rest of that person. LITTLEWOOD went back into the Colonial Room as it appeared more shots might be fired. About thirty seconds later, LITTLEWOOD went through the doors and saw the situation was still chaos but the gun was no longer visible.

The suspect was still being held and one of the persons helping hold him was ROOSEVELT GRIER who had his arms around suspect's neck. Some people were making angry

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by SA ROGER D. ASHLAND:RDA Date dictated 6/20/68

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gestures and screaming at the suspect, who looked terrified. JESSIE UNRUH of Washington, D. C. got on a table and tried to get the crowd away from the suspect. UNRUH said, "We want this one alive."

About fifteen minutes before the shooting, LITTLEWOOD had walked through the kitchen area to the Embassy Ballroom. He could not recall ever having seen the suspect, SIRHAN SIRHAN before. Also, he could not recall having seen a young lady wearing a polka dot dress in the kitchen corridor of the hotel. LITTLEWOOD said he did not hear anyone call out, "We've shot him."

LITTLEWOOD did not know what route KENNEDY would use to go from the Embassy Room to the Colonial Room but thought he probably would walk through the crowd of supporters as it was his custom to walk through groups of well wishers. The reporters had been told to use the kitchen area as a corridor since the hotel was crowded. LITTLEWOOD described the people in the Embassy Room as an orderly one prior to the shooting. It was air conditioned but the television lights made it seem very warm. LITTLEWOOD did not know what KENNEDY planned to do after talking with the press in Colonial Room.

A lot of non press people came to the Colonial Room during the evening because of the television set there. Several times an effort was made to have a guard at the door to keep out people who did not have press credentials but this was difficult to do and persons could enter the room from the kitchen corridor also. Complaints were made about the number of the people in the room who were not with the press. These complaints were made to HUGH MAC DONALD.

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LITTLEWOOD raised the question as to how SIRHAN SIRHAN knew KENNEDY would use the kitchen corridor route to the Colonial Room from the Embassy Ballroom.

Other persons representing the press who LITTLEWOOD recalled being present at the time of the shooting are:

JULES WHITCOVER, Newhouse Papers,
Washington Press Building, Washington, D. C.

JACK GERMOND, Gennet Papers,
Washington Press Building, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM THEIS, United Press

LITTLEWOOD added, he was with KENNEDY the day before the primary election in California. He was not with KENNEDY in the Oregon primary campaign. LITTLEWOOD was with the earlier KENNEDY campaign in California, in April, 1968. On the Sunday preceding the election in California, LITTLEWOOD was with KENNEDY in Santa Anna, San Francisco and San Diego, California.

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Date 7/11/681

DENNIS LOPEZ, 1349 West Brazil, Compton, California, advised he is a self-employed artist and was at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot, however he could not gain admittance into the Embassy Room of the hotel and thus did not observe the shooting or the person doing the shooting.

LOPEZ stated he was in the Ambassador Ballroom most of the evening and stood outside of the doorway to the Embassy Room part of the time. He did not see Senator KENNEDY or SIRHAN SIRHAN during his stay at the Ambassador.

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6/20/68

JAMES LOWE, 4620 Coliseum, Los Angeles, California, ^{Date} advised he recalled having told some young KENNEDY workers just before the end of Senator KENNEDY's speech at the Embassy Room that there had been a change in plans, that instead of exiting from the stage at the right, as one looks at the stage, from which point Senator KENNEDY and his party had entered, the new plans were that he was to exit from the left rear and go to the Colonial Room for a press conference. He said he had been told this by a well-dressed man from New York, whom he understood to be from New York.

Mr. LOWE stated he had furnished detailed information concerning this portion of the inquiry when previously interviewed by SA BAILEY of the Los Angeles Office.

He also stated he wanted to furnish the following additional information:

On June 14, 1968, he was talking with THAD HEATH, another member of the KENNEDY party, who was on stage at the time Senator KENNEDY spoke at the Embassy Room. He was also with the Senator when he was shot and held the people back. HEATH told LOWE he felt certain he had seen SIRHAN sitting on stage the night Senator KENNEDY gave a speech at Temple Isaiah, 10345 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, about three weeks ago. HEATH said this man was just sitting on stage, looking out into the audience.

LOWE, who was also present at Temple Isaiah on the night in question, said he does not remember seeing anyone resembling SIRHAN.

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In LOWE's presence, LENA SMITH telephoned KAREN GANLEY, another young professional KENNEDY worker. LENA SMITH mentioned to KAREN GANLEY that someone closely resembling SIRHAN had been seen onstage at Temple Isaiah, and discussed with GANLEY the fact that someone with a similar name had been calling her for dates. GANLEY said she did not believe the man onstage, who may have had some resemblance to SIRHAN, was identical with SIRHAN. She said she had also been called by someone with a name SHAN, SHAWN, or something similar, asking for a date, but had turned him down.

LOWE asked LENA SMITH where this man might have gotten her telephone number, and she suggested the possibility he may have gotten it from KENNEDY headquarters, 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles.

LOWE then talked with LINDA SUCKNEY, secretary at KENNEDY headquarters. She recalled talking with a young man who volunteered his services as a KENNEDY worker and filled out an application. She believed he had a first name resembling JAMESTED, and remarked that he was an exchange student from one of the Arab countries. She recalled that he had asked for, and been given, the telephone numbers of LENA SMITH and KAREN GANLEY.

LOWE said he is chairman of the Membership Committee of the local KENNEDY organization. BILL EVANSON is co-chairman, and currently has all the application forms of volunteer workers at his home. LOWE estimated there are about 600 such forms, and said EVANSON would be glad to furnish them for review.

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Mr. RICHARD G. LUBIC, 2010 Hillcrest Drive, Hollywood, California, advised as follows:

He currently is president of the Color Corporation of America, 9000 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, a closed-circuit television company. He attended the victory celebration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY held at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968, as the guest of RICHARD A. KLEIN, Public Relations Director, Southern California KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters. LUBIC formerly was associated with "Time" magazine and television station KHJ, Los Angeles, Channel 9. He has traveled with Senator KENNEDY and is well known to KENNEDY and the people associated with the KENNEDY election campaign.

LUBIC wanted to congratulate Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY upon his election victory in California and stood close to the speaker's rostrum to await the opportunity. LUBIC noted KENNEDY had arrived at the speaker's rostrum via a door behind the rostrum and anticipated that he might exit through this door. A minute or less prior to the termination of the speech, LUBIC checked to determine if this area might be appropriate to attempt to speak to KENNEDY. LUBIC noted that access to the corridor behind the rostrum could be reached through two doors. He also made casual observation of the corridor area beyond the doors and has a recollection of seeing a woman dressed in white in the corridor. LUBIC assumed the woman was a hotel employee probably assigned to the kitchen. He has no recollection of observing anyone else in the corridor.

After making this brief check, LUBIC returned to the front of the speaker's rostrum just as KENNEDY completed his talk. LUBIC then followed KENNEDY as he left the rostrum. LUBIC noted KENNEDY was going to exit the room via the corridor behind the rostrum as anticipated. He also noted KENNEDY was headed for the far door to the corridor. LUBIC entered the corridor via the closer door and was at KENNEDY's right shoulder as he walked down the corridor.

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LUBIC thought KENNEDY saw him and recognized him, and LUBIC continued walking with KENNEDY waiting for him to stop shaking hands with people and to acknowledge him. LUBIC heard an unidentified voice saying, "KENNEDY, you son of a bitch," and then heard two shots which sounded like shots from a starter pistol at a track meet. LUBIC did not identify the source of the voice and did not immediately determine the source of the shots. He quickly noted, however, an individual with a gun. This individual was located on the left side of the corridor and had his right knee on a small table or air conditioning unit and had raised himself up on this knee to obtain elevation while shooting.

LUBIC has no recollection of hearing the sounds of additional shots, but recalls seeing the gun and the arm of the assailant and noted the jerk of the gun and the arm, apparently caused by the recoil action of the gun. LUBIC noted KENNEDY had fallen and was bleeding from the back of his head. LUBIC sought cover behind an ice machine or table in the corridor under the assumption the shooting would continue. Prior to seeking cover, LUBIC had observed the expression in KENNEDY's eyes and assumed he was mortally wounded.

LUBIC then noted that one or more of the hotel employees and other people were struggling with the assailant in an attempt to disarm him and to subdue him. LUBIC got up and linked arms with two hotel security employees to keep the crowd in the kitchen area from coming into the corridor. During this period, the assailant was still being subdued and disarmed. LUBIC remained in this area until police took custody of the assailant and removed him from the hotel.

The following day, LUBIC recognized news media photographs of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN as being identical with the assailant.

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1Date 6/9/68

AUGUSTUS MALLARD, 609 West 94th Street, advised he is employed by the Ace Guard Service, 8720 Woodley Avenue, Sepulveda, California, as a guard and was assigned to the Ambassador Hotel for the evening of June 4, 1968.

MALLARD arrived at the hotel at 6:00 p.m., and was assigned initially to guard the Embassy Room. While on duty in the Embassy Room foyer, MALLARD saw a man dressed in a wind-breaker jacket and dark slacks loitering in the foyer. He later recognized this individual to be SIRHAN. MALLARD advised the individual appeared to be an off-duty waiter or bellhop and was not acting in a suspicious manner.

About 7:00 p.m., MALLARD was assigned to the Venetian Room to guard Mr. RAFFERTY's function, and he remained there throughout the shift. MALLARD took a break about 8:00 p.m. and while walking past the Le Cafe Lautrec area, MALLARD saw SIRHAN loitering in this area. MALLARD stated this was the last time he saw SIRHAN and added that he never observed SIRHAN talking with anyone, stating that SIRHAN was alone both times he observed him.

After midnight, while on duty outside the Venetian Room, MALLARD observed an individual come crashing through the crowd, pushing people down, and he heard shouts of "Stop that man." Upon hearing these shouts, MALLARD apprehended the individual, who was the source of most of the confusion in the hallway outside the Embassy Room and handcuffed him. MALLARD advised the individual turned out to be a reporter for a Los Angeles paper, who was trying to get to a telephone and that after he turned this individual over to Los Angeles Police Department officers, he went home.

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1Date 7/17/68

SHERRY MARKS, 12309 Tigrina, Whittier, California, advised that she formerly worked at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. Miss MARKS said that she was a volunteer worker at the campaign headquarters. She said she was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968. She said that she has no information to offer concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, as she was not in the immediate area of where he was shot.

Miss MARKS said that she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and she does not recall ever having met this individual. She said she did not see this individual at the Ambassador Hotel prior to the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot. She added that she did get a glimpse of SIRHAN SIRHAN as the police were escorting him out of the hotel.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/17/63

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/5/681

Mr. JOHN MARSHALL, announcer, Radio Station KFWB, 6419 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised as follows:

He and a co-employee WARREN G. WILSON were the announcers for Radio Station KFWB's coverage of the election activities of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968. Mr. LOUIS GOLDOWITZ was the station's engineer at the hotel. He advised that following Senator KENNEDY's speech, the station went off the air. Although neither he nor the other members of the crew heard shots, the commotion behind the rostrum was noted. MARSHALL ascertained that the Senator had been shot, and the station went back on the air. MARSHALL continued broadcasting his observations of the activity taking place at the hotel.

MARSHALL did not observe the shooting and he did not see SIRHAN. MARSHALL said that at about the time of the shooting, he was located about 25 feet away from the terrace door of the Embassy Room. He said he subsequently learned a witness had alleged that a girl in a polka dot dress saying, "We've shot him, we've shot him" had exited from this door. MARSHALL said he had searched his memory and had no recollection of seeing this girl. He said he was mentioning this for what ever value it might have. He noted that he was concentrating on his announcing and did not observe every person using this door.

MARSHALL could furnish no additional, pertinent information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/27/68

Mrs. WINNIE THERESA MARSHALL, 12741 Chandler, North Hollywood, California, advised that she had contacted the FBI, Los Angeles, California, in regards to an interview with her adopted brother PAUL BENEDICT, who resides at her residence. She advised that PAUL had stated that he had been interviewed by the FBI in regard to the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and that she had desired to know his involvement in the matter. Mrs. MARSHALL stated that PAUL had resided with her mother, Mrs. MARGARET MC CARTHY, 419 Stansbury Street, Sherman Oaks, California until he was 18 years of age at which time he left home and went to New Orleans, Louisiana to reside with his true father, JOE BENEDICT, whose address she did not know. She advised that PAUL had returned to California about three months ago and that his actions have led her to believe that he had been mentally affected while in New Orleans.

Mrs. MARSHALL stated confidentially that PAUL is her sister's son by BENEDICT though they were never married. She advised that PAUL was told of this when he became 16 years of age and since that time had wanted to locate his father. She advised that when PAUL went to New Orleans, he located BENEDICT and resided with his family. She stated that PAUL has told her that the BENEDICT family "practiced witchcraft" and that while in New Orleans someone had placed a curse on him. She further advised that PAUL has made statements that he has received gifts from God and Mrs. MARSHALL stated that he has a very colorful imagination. She stated further that he was brought up in a very religious atmosphere and many of his ideas are currently influenced by the religious training he received while living with his grandmother and apparently by his stay in New Orleans.

She further advised that while in New Orleans, PAUL applied for his citizenship papers and that shortly after that he was called into the Army. She stated that when he was called into the Army he took the name of PAUL BENEDICT although the name on his birth certificate is ANTHONY TERRANCE MC CARTHY. She stated that while PAUL was in the Army he spent sometime in the psychiatric ward and later received a medical discharge.

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Mrs. MARSHALL advised that most of her family and relatives are in show business and that PAUL has also expressed a desire to do the same. Mrs. MARSHALL stated that PAUL's date of birth is

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Mrs. MARSHALL advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel in the Grand Ballroom the night Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. She advised that her mother, two sisters and herself had participated in distributing KENNEDY literature and had helped to comprise several KENNEDY caravans and in general took a very active interest in his primary bid. She stated that on the night of June 4, 1968 her mother, MARGARET MC CARTHY, her sister, GERIE MC CARTHY, 4419 Stansbury, Sherman Oaks, California, her sister MARY TOWLEY, 22344 Boltar Street, Canoga Park, California, EILEEN ANDERSON, 9812 Yocum Drive, Beverly Hills, California and her boy friend, PHIL LITROW, Azalea Drive, Tarzana, California, her husband, CHRIS MARSHALL, PAUL BENEDICT and herself had arrived at the Ambassador Hotel about 9:30 p.m.

She stated that they were on the stage most of the evening singing KENNEDY songs and generally mixing with the crowd. She stated that at about 11:50 p.m. or midnight her husband CHRIS had left the stage and moved to a smaller sideroom. She stated that while he was going to this other room he passed a fire escape area. She stated that while he was near the fire escape either he or GERIE MC CARTHY, who had accompanied him, observed a girl and a young man come down the fire escape shouting, "They've shot him". Mrs. MARSHALL stated that GERIE had told her the girl had worn a polka dot dress and had been saying, "KENNEDY has been shot".

Mrs. MARSHALL stated she did not immediately learn of the shooting until her husband came back to the stage and told her that KENNEDY had been shot. She advised that the situation was such in the ballroom that it was difficult to hear anything over the noise and that the first official knowledge that anyone

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there had was when an unknown woman came to the stage and made an announcement that KENNEDY was wounded. She stated that immediately after that police came into the Grand Ballroom area and requested that everyone quietly leave the ballroom and that they also took all of the balloons away from the crowd.

Mrs. MARSHALL stated that about 20 minutes after this happened, PAUL went to the Embassy Room which was immediately above the Grand Ballroom. She advised that he later told her about the confusion but that he had not seen anything except one woman who had appeared to be shot.

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Date 6/26/68

JAMES R. MENEFIELD, 1000 West Arbutus Street, Compton, California, telephone NE 6-1464, who is employed by North American Rockwell, Inglewood, California, telephone OR 0-8151, advised that he had been a member of the Compton for KENNEDY Committee. Since he was on this committee he decided to go to the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968 for KENNEDY's victory speech. MENEFIELD parked about one block north of the Ambassador in a service station driveway. He was alone and arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at 10:45 p.m. After he had entered the Ambassador Hotel he went to the room where KENNEDY was supposed to speak, by way of the kitchen. MENEFIELD saw nothing while entering the hotel.

MENEFIELD believes that he was in the Embassy Room and after he had been there for a short while Senator KENNEDY came and spoke. The Senator then turned and went out a back door and in a few minutes MENEFIELD heard some noise in the kitchen. He then heard screaming. He started towards the double door that leads into the kitchen to investigate the noise and a woman came out of the door with blood on her head and said, "They shot him".

MENEFIELD walked back to the kitchen, looked through a crowd of people and saw the back of Senator KENNEDY's head. He realized at that time that it was the Senator who had been shot. He saw another man, who had apparently been shot, sitting in a chair. MENEFIELD was very upset and had not fully understood the whole situation so he then walked back to the auditorium. He stated he stayed at the hotel until around 3:00 a.m. when he called his wife.

Nothing unusual was noticed by MENEFIELD and he had heard nothing about any type of violence.

After viewing a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN he advised that he had never seen him before.

MENEFIELD stated he only knew two people that were at the Ambassador and they were Dr. and Mrs. ROSS MILLER from Compton, California. While at the meeting he met a SHERWIN GAINES, who

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is Western Regional Manager for Compton - Richmond Company,
Incorporated, 1336 Sanfee Street, Los Angeles, California.

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Date 6/13/681

JACK J. MERRITT, 10109 Swenton Street, Sepulveda, California, advised as follows:

On the night of June 4, 1968, he was working as a Security Guard at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. At approximately 12:20 a.m. on June 5, 1968, a number of people came running out of the Ambassador Ballroom, where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and his supporters had been having a victory celebration, shouting, "KENNEDY has been shot". He left his post at the entrance to the ballroom and went inside. In the kitchen he saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor with a hotel employee and Mrs. KENNEDY, the Senator's wife, crouched near him. He noticed another man standing up holding his stomach. He also saw CARL (last name unknown), a hotel employee, trying to wrest a pistol from the hand of an individual whose name he now knows to be SIRHAN SIRHAN. There was a great deal of confusion and people were shouting, "Get the gun! Get the gun!". In the confusion he noticed, among others, two men and a woman leaving the kitchen through a back exit. He could not see the woman's face but believed that she was approximately 5'5" tall, with light colored hair, and wearing a polka dot dress. One of the men was about 6'2" tall with dark hair and wearing a dark suit. The other man was approximately 5'5" or 5'6" tall and also wearing a suit. He could not describe these individuals in any greater detail and does not believe that he could identify them if he saw them again. Other people also left.

He remained in the kitchen for approximately ten minutes before he went back to his post at the doorway of the Ambassador Ballroom. He had no further information concerning this incident.

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Date 7/5/68

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On June 19, 1968, FELICIA MESSURI, 16 Fairview Avenue, Tarrytown, New York, wife of ANTHONY MESSURI, National Broadcasting Corporation - Television (NBC-TV) Director, telephonically contacted the White Plains, New York Resident Agency and furnished the information set forth below to SA FRANCIS P. GREALY:

She had accompanied her husband to Los Angeles, California and was present in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated. She was, at the time of the shooting, standing on a packing crate at the rear of the ballroom. Standing next to her was MARY WHALEN, whose husband, WILLIAM C. WHALEN, is an NBC Associate Director. They had been standing there following Senator KENNEDY's speech and departure from the podium, when they heard the shrieking cries and saw the scuffling of the crowd, and learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

After the initial hysteria over the shooting, a man turned toward her and said something to her. At the time this incident had no significance but, since there has been talk of a conspiracy regarding this assassination, the occurrence has been on her mind and she believed it might have some bearing on the shooting. Her present recollection is that this man said something to the following effect: "You saw me! You witnessed the fact that I was standing here when the senator departed!" Those are not the exact words, but she gained the impression he was trying to establish that he was in her view when Senator KENNEDY was shot.

Mrs. WHALEN was present when this unknown man made this statement; which he addressed to both of them. Mrs. MESSURI recently discussed this incident with Mrs. WHALEN, who recalled that she had also seen this unknown man in the ballroom crowd earlier, during Senator KENNEDY's speech, carrying a small black object which she assumed was a pocket radio.

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Mrs. MESSURI described the unknown man as white, 40-50 years old, 6 feet tall, heavy set, dark complexion, black curly hair, wearing maroon knit shirt. She could not decide his possible nationality. He displayed no physical characteristics but indicated a sense of urgency in his actions and manner of speaking. No accent was detected.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/26/68

SANDRA METTETAL, Reporter, City News Service, 417 South Hill, Los Angeles, California, Room 460, phone 625-7601, advised as follows:

On June 4, 1968, she was assigned to cover Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel. At approximately 10:30 P.M. she went to the Embassy Room and sat on the platform to insure that she would be close to Senator KENNEDY when he addressed the rally. At approximately 11:00 P.M. she went out the main door of the Embassy Room to get a drink and visit the restroom. When she was returning she was told by a guard that she could not enter the Embassy Room through that door but had to proceed through the Colonial Room. She did this and then proceeded through the kitchen area on her way to the Embassy Room and in passing through this area she observed between five and ten individuals there. Since she was not looking for anyone she did not pay too much attention to these individuals but she had the impression that they were all employees of the hotel. She does not recall seeing SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN there or a female Caucasian wearing a polka dot dress.

In order to gain access to the platform she had to enter a closed door, which was opened for her by one member of a small singing group, which frequently leads Senator KENNEDY's rallies in singing the song "This Man is My Man". This group comprised one male Negro, two Caucasian males and one Caucasian female, and the males were dressed in orange trousers and white sweaters. She stated that the area behind the curtains, on the platform, was a semi-room with a piano. The singing group was practicing here.

She waited on the platform and assisted an unknown male Caucasian with dark hair in his early 20's, who she stated is employed by Continental Recordings. She helped him set up his microphones as well as another individual by the name of STEVE BELL, who she stated is an ABC radio reporter.

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When Senator KENNEDY made his speech she was on the platform to Senator KENNEDY's left. When he finished his speech she rushed to the phones to call her office. As she was doing this she observed Senator KENNEDY leave the platform through some curtains which were on the rear of the platform. A few minutes later while still on the phone she first learned that something was wrong when a woman screamed "Oh my God". She then heard others in the general area state that Senator KENNEDY had been shot and this was followed by other screams and shouts.

She advised that she could not get closer to the scene of the shooting in the kitchen area due to the large crowd, and she can furnish no further information regarding the shooting.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/11/68

SANDRA METTETAL, Reporter, City Newspaper Service, 417 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, advised the following by phone on July 3, 1968:

With respect to details on a group of singers, who SANDRA had observed in the Embassy Room during the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party, SANDRA described them as being in their late teens or early 20's. The group, consisting of one female and two white male Caucasians and one male Negro, had approached SANDRA, who was standing on the podium in the Embassy Room where Senator KENNEDY was to speak. The group did not appear to have a name but asked SANDRA if it would be okay to get upon the podium and sing. SANDRA said she would not have the authority to authorize the request and referred them to someone on the KENNEDY staff nearby. These singers were dressed in white sweaters and orange trousers. When last observed the group was talking to KAREN KLINE of the KENNEDY campaign staff. KLINE is currently working at the former Senator KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters at 5616 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles. The work is presently devoted to gun control.

SANDRA continued that she had no information as to the identity to the group of singers or where they may be located. Further, she did not know whether they would be potential witnesses or not.

A person observed on the podium during the KENNEDY campaign party in the Embassy Room was a male Caucasian in his early 20's, who was employed by Continental Recordings. He had recording equipment and was believed to have a press pass. His name is not known to SANDRA but he had been observed driving a large white automobile with large blue lettering "Continental Recordings."

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1Date 7/11/68

Mr. JEFF BRENT, employee of Continental News, a Division of the Continental Recordings, 15300 Ventura Boulevard, Room 211, Sherman Oaks, California, phone 784-5488, advised by phone following attempts to contact him for appointment:

BRENT said that he was acquainted with SANDRA METTETAL, Reporter of City News Service, and had seen her at the Ambassador Hotel during the Senator KENNEDY campaign party in the Embassy Room. Both he and "SANDY" had worked at the affair.

With respect to himself as a potential witness, Mr. BRENT said that at the time of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, BRENT was in the Embassy Room, had not witnessed the shooting nor had he been in a position to see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, who was charged with the shooting.

The only potential witness BRENT could recommend was an acquaintance, TED CHARACH, who works as a freelance communications man and who was observed in the Embassy Room during the KENNEDY campaign party. CHARACH has telephone number 462-3421.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/24/68

Mrs. IRIS R. MILLER, 1319 South Atlantic Drive, Compton, California (formerly of 620 South Sloan, Compton, California) was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and that she was being contacted for an appointment to discuss her knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mrs. MILLER advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, and June 5, 1968, but she had no knowledge of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY as she was in the news room watching television at the time of the shooting.

She stated that she could furnish no information concerning the above incident.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/1/68

LOUIS STEPHEN MOONEY, III, residing 3052 Nevada, El Monte, California, telephone 442-8830, furnished the following information:

MOONEY stated that he is employed as a spotlight attendant out of Local 33 of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, telephone DU 2-2321. On the evening of June 4, 1968, he was assigned to work the spotlight for the Righteous Brothers show in the Coconut Grove. MOONEY stated that he arrived at the Ambassador Hotel about 9:00 p.m. that evening and went directly to the club room using the employees entrance on the ground floor through the kitchen. He visited no other places in the hotel. At approximately 11:30 p.m. the show was finished and he went directly to his car and returned to his home in El Monte.

MOONEY viewed photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and stated that he had not seen him prior to the following morning when he saw his photograph in the newspaper and on television.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Born	June 19, 1947
	Pasadena, California
Height	5'10"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Blond
Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Glasses, small mustache
Social Security No.	
Marital Status	Single

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1Date 6/27/68

DEBBIE J. MOONEYHAM, residing at 5860 Fitzpatrick Street, advised that she and her girl friend MARY MC MAHON arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California at about 10:45 p.m. on June 4, 1968. Miss MOONEYHAM said she and MARY walked around the hotel and visited the campaign rooms of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and MAX RAFFERTY.

She recalled around 12:00 midnight she was walking in the lobby on the floor below where the campaign room for Senator KENNEDY was located. She stated that she heard that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Police were clearing the bottom floors of the hotel, shortly after she heard this.

Miss MOONEYHAM stated that she and MARY stayed at the hotel until sometime around 2:00 or 3:00 a.m.

She stated that she had never heard the name SIRHAN SIRHAN before and does not recall seeing him at the hotel at any time. She stated that she does not recall seeing any girl at the hotel wearing a polka dot dress.

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by SA JOHN F. MORRISON/nmb Date dictated 6/24/68

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Date 6/28/68

JOHN MORRIS, 170 West End Avenue, Picture Editor, "New York Times", advised that at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot in Los Angeles, he was in the room but was stationed underneath the TV Cameras and did not see the shooting occur. Shortly after the shooting he attempted to go near the kitchen where the shooting occurred but could not enter the kitchen due to the crowd.

He further advised that he had his wife contact the "New York Times" to advise them of the shooting and was not until several hours later that they again met. He did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN before the shooting or after the shooting.

On 6/28/68 at Telephonically, 344 New York, New York File # NY 44-1640
by SA VINCENT P. DOHERTY:jrf Date dictated 6/28/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/28/68

MIDGE MORRIS, 170 West End Avenue, wife of JOHN MORRIS, Picture Editor, "New York Times", advised that she was at the hotel on the night that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. She was situated under the TV Cameras at the time the Senator made his victory speech but was not near the kitchen when he was shot.

She further advised that from approximately 10:30 to 11:00 p.m., on the night of the shooting in the downstairs area of the hotel, she saw a young couple who looked like beatniks. At that time she commented to herself that they seemed out of place at the hotel because of the way they were dressed. The unidentified male had dark features and was of slight stature. She could not be certain if this individual was SIRHAN SIRHAN even though she had seen pictures of him in the news media. She is not certain how the girl was dressed, only that she was shorter than the male. This is the only incident which she can recall that might have had any relation to the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. She did not see these individuals again at the hotel or since that time.

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1Date 6/26/68

ALBERT MOSLEY, 209 South Willow, Compton, California, who is employed as Advertising Director, "Los Angeles Community Sports", 1214 North Wilmington, Compton, California, advised that he had been a political supporter of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY for some time and as such he decided to go to the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968 to see how Senator KENNEDY's campaign was doing.

MOSLEY arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at about 10:30 p.m. and parked just south of Wilshire Boulevard. He entered the hotel from Wilshire and proceeded to a room that was apparently down stairs from where Senator KENNEDY was speaking. People were yelling, "We want KENNEDY", but Senator KENNEDY never came down to this room. MOSLEY is not sure of the room but advised that it was some type of auditorium. MOSLEY had come from Compton to the Ambassador Hotel with MAXIE FILER, who resides at 542 West Arbutus, Compton, California and was with FILER throughout the evening.

While MOSLEY was talking to a person he had met at the hotel a woman came up, touched him on the arm and said that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot. MOSLEY did not believe it at first but later he realized that it was true because of the way the people in the hotel were acting. MOSLEY left soon after he had heard about the Senator.

MOSLEY noticed nothing unusual while he was at the Ambassador Hotel and had heard nothing of any type of violence.

After viewing a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, MOSLEY advised that to his knowledge he had never seen this man.

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1Date 6/20/68

ROGER MUDD, reporter, Columbia Broadcasting System, 2020 M Street, N.W., furnished the following information:

MUDD traveled with the KENNEDY Campaign party throughout Oregon and California Monday through Friday (June 3, 1968 - June 7, 1968). During the time KENNEDY was giving his victory speech MUDD was standing in front of the speaker's platform. MUDD did not know which way KENNEDY would go after the speech and it was MUDD's intentions to remain in the Embassy Room and film a short news report when the crowd left the room.

He heard shouting and then heard that KENNEDY had been shot. He made his way toward the kitchen where he assisted Mrs. KENNEDY in getting through the crowd to her husband. He did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN at that time and does not remember seeing a person resembling SIRHAN during the campaign. He does not remember seeing a girl in a polka-dot dress at the Ambassador Hotel.

MUDD heard from ROY RINGER, either a KENNEDY aide or a reporter with the Los Angeles Times, that RINGER's secretary, possibly named JUDY LNU, had earlier in the evening asked SIRHAN to leave the area she was guarding because of excessive crowds. She made this statement to RINGER after she saw SIRHAN when he was in custody of JOHNSON and GRIER.

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DAVE MURRAY, Reporter, "Chicago Sun Times" Daily Newspaper, was interviewed at the offices of the newspaper, 400 North Wabash Avenue.

He related that he was present in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, at the time of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He stated that immediately after making his short victory speech, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was scheduled to go to the Colonial Room within the hotel for an interview by newspaper and periodical correspondents. He related that the Colonial Room had been set up as a press room. He said the Embassy Room was extremely crowded and although this was hearsay he heard that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY took the route he did; that is, through the kitchen, in order to avoid the crush of the crowd in the Embassy Room. He stated that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY appeared extremely tired, the corridor he normally would have taken from the Embassy Room to the Colonial Room was extremely crowded with people, and he believes Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's aides probably decided to go through the kitchen to get to the Colonial Room so he would not be mobbed by the crowd. He stated in this regard that DICK DRAYNE, Press Secretary to Senator EDWARD F. KENNEDY, who was working for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in Los Angeles as a press aide, might know why Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY took the route he did which culminated in his assassination in the kitchen. MURRAY believed that DRAYNE may be able to at least shed some light on who made the decision to take this route or possibly why it was taken. He said DRAYNE can be located through the Office of Senator EDWARD F. KENNEDY in Washington, D. C.

Regarding other Chicago newspaper correspondents present at the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the assassination, he related that he believes there were no Chicago based correspondents at the hotel. He said that BOB ROSE of Los Angeles is the west coast representative of the "Chicago Daily News" and while he did not see ROSE at the Ambassador Hotel, he did see him at the hospital to which Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was taken. He said ROSE can be located in Los Angeles through the

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wire services or any of the Los Angeles newspapers. He further related that SY KORMAN is the west coast representative of the "Chicago Daily Tribune" and while he did not see KORMAN at the Ambassador Hotel, he feels quite certain that KORMAN was, in fact, present at the hotel. He related that KORMAN can be located through the wire services or any of the Los Angeles newspapers.

In addition to the foregoing, he stated that TOM LITTLEWOOD, Washington Correspondent of the "Chicago Sun Times", was also present at the hotel at the time of the assassination and he resides in Washington, D. C.

MURRAY said that he did not observe SIRHAN prior to the time of the assassination. The first time he saw SIRHAN was after the shooting in the kitchen when RAFAEL JOHNSON and ROSIE GRIER had SIRHAN flattened out on a table and were attempting to wrest the gun away from him. He said that at this time the gun was waving wildly and the confusion was extreme. He said by way of reiteration that he believed Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had not changed his plans to go to the Ambassador room, but merely his method of going to the Colonial Room in order to avoid the crowd in the Embassy Room. He did state, however, that this is hearsay and he has no actual knowledge this was the case.

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1Date 7/23/68

VICTORIA TOULICE NELSON, 403 South Acacia Street, Compton, California, home telephone number 631-5664 was interviewed regarding information received by the FBI that during meetings held at the KENNEDY Campaign Headquarters, Los Angeles, during May 12 - 18, 1968, a person resembling SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was observed.

NELSON recalled that she attended meetings with JOHN AHRNDT, a student at Compton Junior College, at the KENNEDY Headquarters Office on Wilshire Boulevard, in Los Angeles during May 12-18, 1968. She recalled one of the meetings was held to organize the distribution of KENNEDY Campaign literature in Los Angeles. NELSON observed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and advised she observed no one at any of the above meetings that resembled SIRHAN.

NELSON stated in late May 1968, the KENNEDY Headquarters set up a new campaign center for the Compton, California, area on Long Beach Boulevard in Compton. She stated several meetings were held at the new center, however, she did not see any one at these meetings that was familiar to or identical with SIRHAN.

NELSON advised at no time did she attend any function at the Ambassador Hotel nor was she present at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4 or 5, 1968, the date Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. In addition, NELSON stated no information came to her attention prior to the shooting to indicate this event would occur.

NELSON furnished the following information concerning herself:

Date of Birth		P11
Place of Birth	Los Angeles, California	
Social Security No.		P11

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DON OBERDORFER, Knight Newspapers, Room 1195, Press Building, 14th and F Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C., (WDC) furnished the following information to SA JOSEPH C. KELLY on June 20, 1968:

Mr. OBERDORFER was a member of the press party assigned to the campaign of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. Mr. OBERDORFER was with the campaign in California and Oregon.

He was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles when Senator KENNEDY was shot. He worked his way through the crowd, into the kitchen area where the shooting took place, and saw Senator KENNEDY being placed on a stretcher.

Mr. OBERDORFER did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN either before or after the shooting.

It was his understanding that a Mr. SCOTT, who is employed by Station WJCA in New York, had seen SIRHAN SIRHAN on one or two occasions during the evening before the shooting.

He also recalled a young female free-lance correspondent who later stated that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been "ejected" or asked to leave the press headquarters in the Colonial Room or the kitchen area. He believed SIRHAN had been told to leave by a female member of the KENNEDY staff.

Mr. OBERDORFER stated it was his impression that Senator KENNEDY's plan was to appear at press headquarters located in the Colonial Room before going to the victory party.

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Date 6/15/68

LAWRENCE PATRICK OSBORN was interviewed at Fox Drugs, 6005 Rosemead Boulevard, Pico Rivera, and advised he resides at 6060 Noroco, Pico Rivera, California.

OSBORN advised that on the evening of June 4, 1968, he went, with an acquaintance, MICHAEL ROUNSEVILLE, to the victory celebration of Senator KENNEDY, being held at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. He stated they arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 8:00 p.m. and unsuccessfully attempted to enter the room where Senator KENNEDY was to make an appearance and give a victory speech. He stated they were turned away from this room and directed to another room in the same hotel, where the precinct workers and other supporters of the Senator KENNEDY nomination were also holding a victory party. OSBORN stated he remained with ROUNSEVILLE in this second room for the remainder of the evening except for a period of about twenty minutes from 11:00 p.m. to 11:20 p.m. when he escorted two girls to a parking lot on the hotel grounds. He stated that during the evening and during the victory speech made by Senator KENNEDY, he and ROUNSEVILLE remained in the room watching the speech on television monitors, which had been set up in the room.

OSBORN stated that the first indication he received that something had occurred was during the early hours of June 5, 1968 when someone began to tell the crowd in the room, in which he was located, to "shut up". He stated that eventually the crowd in that room became quiet and then a rumor passed through the room that someone had been shot. Shortly thereafter a rumor went through the crowd that a woman had been shot; and shortly thereafter a rumor that Senator KENNEDY had been shot in the hip. OSBORN stated he never ascertained the extent of injuries of Senator KENNEDY until after he left the hotel at 2:30 a.m. It was then while enroute home he heard on the radio that Senator KENNEDY had been shot in the head.

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OSBORN said, however, that he had never been in the presence of Senator KENNEDY that evening or the following morning and only became aware of the assassination of the Senator when the word spread through the hotel that the Senator had been shot. OSBORN said he did not see the Senator and did not see the assassination. He has no knowledge whatsoever of the alleged assassin or circumstances surrounding the assassination except those he has learned from the press and television.

OSBORN stated that after the shooting a Mexican-American girl, age about 24, heavy set, was observed by him in the room making a statement to the effect that when she had been outside some men and a woman had run by her and shouted "We just shot KENNEDY.", or words to that effect. OSBORN stated the girl was in an extremely emotional state and he put little faith in what she said. He stated that as an example a rumor was heard that a bodyguard had been assigned to Senator MC CARTHY and when some of the people there expressed frustration that this protection had not been assigned to Senator KENNEDY, this girl began to scream to them, making accusatory statements that they were in effect the cause of the assassination. OSBORN stated that for this reason he would put very little faith in what this girl said. He added that he understands that she subsequently was interviewed on television and gave information regarding a girl or a woman in a polkadot dress. OSBORN expressed the opinion that anything this girl said should be closely scrutinized.

OSBORN advised that the photograph of him and ROUNSEVILLE, which appeared in the latest edition of Life magazine, along with others depicting the apparent state of shock, was not taken anyplace in the immediate vicinity of the assassination, but in another room entirely removed from the assassination site.

OSBORN advised that he could furnish no further information concerning this matter.

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MAXINE OTCHIS, 5414 Simpson Avenue, advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968, and was in the company of her boy friend NATHAN HELFMAN, and JOEL WEINGARTEN. Miss OTCHIS said that she was not in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot and has no personal knowledge concerning the activity that took place, either before or after he was shot.

Miss OTCHIS said that she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and she does not recall seeing this individual at the Ambassador Hotel during the night that she was there. She said that she has never met SIRHAN SIRHAN and knows of nothing concerning his background.

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Date 7/16/68

Mr. BRUCE PAGE, Assistant Editor, "London Sunday Times", 201 East 42nd Street, New York, New York, stated that he covered the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY Presidential Campaign sporadically.

During the evening of June 4, 1968, he was in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

Prior to and during Senator KENNEDY's speech, he was in the main ballroom where Senator KENNEDY made his speech and during the speech he was in the audience, in front of and to Senator KENNEDY's right. He was with GODFREY HODGSON, a reporter for the "London Sunday Times".

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, he (KENNEDY) left to depart by the rear of the stage. The crowd was very thick and HODGSON and PAGE went out some kind of a service door in the back of the ballroom, which led to some sort of a back service area of the hotel. It was their intention to go outside and around the hotel to get to the press room thus avoiding the crowd.

When they re-entered the hotel, there was much confusion and some people said Senator KENNEDY had been shot, others said it was not so.

Although people were confused they did not appear to be surprised at whatever happened.

PAGE went into the ballroom and onto the stage. There was much confusion. He met ANTHONY CLIFTON, a reporter for the "London Sunday Times". They were both trying to find out what happened. PAGE then met PIERRE SALINGER. He asked SALINGER what had happened. SALINGER shrugged his shoulders.

There was a wounded woman near the stage.

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PAGE went to the press room. He is of the opinion that by this time, Senator KENNEDY, PAUL SCHRADE and SIRHAN SIREAN had been removed. PAGE saw the television producer of ABC who had been shot being removed.

PAGE did not see or hear the shooting. He has never seen SIREAN SIRHAN.

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PROVIDENCIA F. PAREDES, 2415 20th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., a clerk in the Office of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, advised that she accompanied the official traveling party of Senator KENNEDY on his West Coast campaign. She said on the night Senator KENNEDY was shot, she was in the seventh floor suite of the Ambassador Hotel and therefore could not furnish any pertinent information.

She said she could not recall ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected KENNEDY assassin, during her travels with the KENNEDY campaign official party.

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1Date 7/24/68

LEON DOUGLAS RALPH, 14013 Eadall Avenue, Los Angeles, California, Assemblyman, 55th District, with office at 1922 East 103rd Street, Los Angeles, California, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and that he was being contacted for an appointment to discuss his knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

RALPH advised that he was en route to the Ambassador Hotel when he learned of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and he arrived at the hotel approximately ten minutes after the Senator had departed in the ambulance.

He stated that he had no knowledge of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, but he stated that he had heard that a MARIAN DAVIS, 825 West Elm Street, Compton, California, had mentioned that she had seen SIRHAN SIRHAN in the kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel on Sunday night, June 2, 1968.

RALPH stated that the women associated with the Senator's campaign had held a reception at the hotel on June 2 for Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 7/2/68

JENNIE RANELLE (Mrs. ROCCO RANELLE) was interviewed at her residence 11104 Tiara in North Hollywood, California, at which time she advised as follows:

On Election Day, June 4, 1968, Mrs. RANELLE was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. She was there at the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign activities as a guest of BOB FUNK, a CBS television soundman. At approximately 9:45 to 10:00 p.m., Mrs. RANELLE was in the press room of the Ambassador Hotel, which room is located off the kitchen and behind the Embassy Room. She was waiting the return of Mr. FUNK, who was then apparently with Senator KENNEDY in Senator KENNEDY's suite of the hotel. This was shortly before Senator KENNEDY made his victory speech in the Embassy Room.

While Mrs. RANELLE was in this press room she was standing near the door from the room leading into the kitchen. She noticed a young white male enter the press room from the door that leads to the corridor. This door is across the room from the kitchen door. This young man spoke to several individuals all of whom are unknown to Mrs. RANELLE in the press room. He then came directly to Mrs. RANELLE. He noticed that she had two press badges on her apparel. At this time this young man said, "I'm working with the KENNEDY campaign but I didn't get a badge, can you let me have one of yours". Mrs. RANELLE denied this request and told the man in her opinion if he was working with the KENNEDY campaign he would have a badge of his own. The man then replied, "Please let me have one, you have two and you don't need both of them, let me have one of yours". Mrs. RANELLE again denied the request and the man left her. She further stated she saw him approaching a few other persons in the press room and then she did not see him again at any time.

Mrs. RANELLE observed a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the press and on television following the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. She recognized this photograph as strongly resembling the young man who had approached her for a press badge.

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Mrs. RANELLE described this individual as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	23 to 24 years
Clothing	Wearing a white shirt; no tie.
Hair	Dark curly hair, not parted
Characteristics	Carried some object in his hand, possibly a book
Height	5'3" to 5'4"
Build	Slender
Speech	Spoke with no accent
Eyes	Dark
General appearance	"College kid"

She stated that this individual looked exactly like the photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN except that he definitely was not wearing a zippered jacket as appears in the Los Angeles Police Department photographs of the individual after his arrest. He was wearing a suit or sports coat, winter knit, predominately black with red and gray flecks throughout.

At the time of Senator KENNEDY's speech, Mrs. RANELLE was standing on a platform in back of the speaker's podium. Following the speech she was in the crowd leaving the speaker's platform as it surged towards, and through, the kitchen area. She was at the door leading from the Embassy Room to the kitchen when she heard three explosions in quick succession followed by two more quick explosions. She saw flashes in the vicinity of where Senator KENNEDY was at the time. She did not see a gun nor did she see any person resembling SIRHAN SIRHAN or the person she had seen earlier as described above. At this point the crowd in the kitchen reversed itself and began to leave the kitchen very quickly. This movement forced Mrs. RANELLE against the wall just outside the kitchen and at the door leading to

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the kitchen. From this vantage point, Mrs. RANELLE observed a woman leaving the kitchen with blood streaming from a forehead wound. She aided this woman until a uniformed security guard appeared. She turned this woman over to the guard and that is the last she saw of either of them. This woman was a white female with blond hair and she was wearing only one shoe. She was wearing a flowered yellow dress with black flowers.

Mrs. RANELLE is described as follows:

Name	JENNIE RANELLE (Mrs. ROCCO RANELLE)
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Place of birth	Scranton, Pennsylvania
Height	5'
Weight	103 pounds
Hair	Auburn, worn shoulder length with outward flip
Eyes	Brown
Clothing	Velvet sheath dress with a nylon black brocaded sleeves and carrying a black purse and wore black shoes on the night of June 4, 1968.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/21/681

Congressman THOMAS J. REES of California said he was present on the podium in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California during the evening of June 4, 1968. Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was making a victory speech there after having won the primary election in California for Democratic Party nomination as President. REES left the podium and walked toward his right as he faced the audience. REES joined his wife near the exit and waited for KENNEDY. Instead of coming that way which was one way to the other ballroom where additional supporters were gathered, KENNEDY and others in his immediate party walked to the rear of the stage and into the kitchen corridor of the hotel. REES said he does not know anything about any change of plans involving KENNEDY's exit from the ballroom. REES said he had traveled with the KENNEDY party extensively during the California primary campaign. Crowd control practices often used a flank holdback of the crowd to allow a person to move easier. This had allowed REES to join his wife in the area near where reporters were covering the speech.

REES said he heard shots which he thought at first might have been firecrackers. A panic seemed to have been started by this. Within about thirty seconds, someone asked over the microphone if there was a Doctor in the house? Then someone said, KENNEDY had been shot. REES said he attempted to get people to leave rather than to reenter the Ballroom as many were trying to do.

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Date 7/15/68

MICHAEL RHODES, 4342 Nogales Drive, Tarzana, telephone number 987-2736, advised that he was a volunteer worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He was interviewed at his residence in the presence of Officer MORGAN, Los Angeles Police Department. He furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the events of June 4 and June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel where Senator KENNEDY was shot:

He arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 8:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968, with his wife NINA RHODES. They went to the press area of the Embassy Room and spent the evening there following the primary election returns. When the Senator made his victory speech, he heard this speech from the press room area.

Following the speech, he recalls that the Senator exited the platform to his rear through some curtains leading into the kitchen passageway. His wife NINA followed the Senator in the hopes of personally congratulating him on his victory. He was approximately ten feet behind his wife and had a view of the kitchen passageway, when he suddenly heard a popping sound which he thought sounded like a string of lighted firecrackers going off. His wife then turned and started to run toward him at full speed, so he thought that the Senator had changed directions, as this was the type of crowd reaction that often times occurred with the Senator. He was at the doorway leading to the rear of the podium when he grabbed his wife and yanked her into the doorway. She was screaming, "He's killed" and he immediately told her to "stop that kind of talking" since she had no idea whether it was true or not.

When the firecracker sounds had gone off and he observed his wife running toward him and various screams and shouts he suddenly realized that shots had been fired. His reaction was that the shots must have come from an automatic weapon since they were so rapid.

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He took his wife back to the press room area where she eventually calmed down following the shooting and during the period when the Los Angeles Police Department arrived on the scene to secure the area of the shooting.

He recalls earlier in the evening he had been through the kitchen passageway three or four times but everyone seemed to belong there. He stated that on one occasion when he went to the lobby to get some drinks he informed the guard to remember him when he returned. At that time, several young KENNEDY supporters pushed by the guard. He stated that in his opinion, the security there was rather lax.

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Date 7/15/68

NINA R. RHODES, 4342 Nogales Drive, Tarzana, telephone number 987-2736, advised that she was a volunteer fund raiser for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and she furnished the following information with respect to the events at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4 and June 5, 1968. She was interviewed at her residence in the presence of Officer MORGAN, Los Angeles Police Department:

At approximately 8:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968, she went to the Ambassador Hotel with her husband MICHAEL RHODES and reported to the press staff area located west of the stage in the Embassy Room. She wore an off-white, short, Russian cossack type dress and during the course of the evening, she followed the election results with PIERRE SALINGER, FRANK MANKIEWICZ and various other KENNEDY staff members.

When the Senator made his speech at approximately midnight, she heard it from the press room area. She estimates that everyone knew that the Senator was going through the kitchen area approximately 15 minutes before his speech ended, since a tall blond man, name unknown, came over to the press area and asked PIERRE SALINGER which way he wanted the Senator to leave the stage. SALINGER indicated that he wanted the Senator to turn to his right, proceed through the staff press area, then through the kitchen area to the Colonial Room, the site of the main KENNEDY press room in the Ambassador Hotel. She thinks that SALINGER chose this route because he wanted to congratulate the Senator personally on his victory and have other key members of his staff also congratulate him. She recalls that previously when she had heard of the Senator's victory, she had asked Mr. SALINGER if she could personally congratulate the Senator when he finished his speech and Mr. SALINGER stated that she could. The Senator did not take the indicated route, however, but exited the podium back through the curtains to the rear of the stage which led to the kitchen passageway. When this happened, Mr. SALINGER said "Go, baby" indicating that she should follow the Senator

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quickly through the kitchen passageway.

She grabbed LUCY SALINGER's hand, who she stated was a KENNEDY volunteer and a Los Angeles resident, and together they ran into the kitchen passageway. She stated this area slanted downward in the direction they were running and that it was cluttered with all sorts of cables. She tried to focus her attention on the Senator's head, thereby making it easier for her to determine his whereabouts. She had just left the entrance to the kitchen and noticed the Senator shaking hands with various kitchen employees and continue proceeding down the hallway when she suddenly heard a sound like a firecracker and she saw a red-like flash three to four feet from the left of the Senator's head. She estimates that she was approximately ten feet from the Senator when she observed this. She instantaneously realized that she was there and that shots were being fired. She later recalled hearing eight distinct shots. Everything appeared to her like still frames in a stop-action movie. She recalls seeing the Senator's head and suddenly everyone dropping to the floor. After the first shot the remaining ones sounded like a lighted string of firecrackers. They appeared to be very high in the air for when she saw the flashes, she had to look up and the flashes appeared higher than the heads of the group of people in front of her. From her position, which was behind and slightly to the left rear of the Senator, the flashes were slightly to the left front of the Senator. When the shots were fired, she also noticed a cameraman violently throw himself against the wall. She also heard people screaming, and she recalls the words, "Get out of the way. Let's get out of here".

The individual who fired the shots at the Senator appeared to her to be wearing a powder blue jacket and he seemed to be framed against the walls which were also powder blue. When she saw him, he seemed to be turned from her so that she saw part of his back and left side as he was in what she described as a semi-crouch position. She originally recalls that she told the Los Angeles Police Department that she saw the blue jacket in a sea of white. Two days later she

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found out that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was wearing a powder blue jacket. She stated she could not identify the individual who fired the shots because she did not see his face, but she thinks that she could identify the jacket he was wearing. What she does know, however, was that this individual was not a Negro.

Following the shooting, she does not exactly recall what happened in the kitchen area. She vaguely remembers that she was on the floor and that people were stepping on her. Her husband told her that she left the area on a dead run and shouted, "He's killed" as she proceeded back toward the Embassy press area. It was as she was leaving the kitchen passageway when her husband grabbed her and told her not to make those kind of statements. She recalls that she lost her purse in the kitchen area and before leaving, she heard someone say, "Get towels and ice".

She later heard people shouting from the kitchen area, "They got 'em", several times from several individuals.

She described the general area being filled with hostility, women shouting and screaming, and general confusion.

She advised that she considers that security in the area was very lax in that the guard in the kitchen portion of the Embassy Room seemed to allow any unauthorized individuals through that area. In this regard, many individuals who were authorized to enter the area were denied access.

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NELSON RISING was interviewed at his place of employment, 433 South Spring Street, at which time he furnished the following information:

He was a volunteer for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and on June 4, 1968, he and his wife, SHARON, went to the Ambassador Hotel to await the results of the California primary. He arrived at the hotel at approximately 7:30 pm, and went immediately to the Embassy Room of the hotel. On several occasions he left the Embassy Room to get drinks and cigarettes, but was in the room when Senator KENNEDY gave his victory speech.

At the time of the victory speech he was approximately 30 feet away from Senator KENNEDY and as KENNEDY left the podium after the speech, RISING and his wife, SHARON, began to move towards the door of the Embassy Room in an effort to leave the hotel. As they were moving, at the rear of the crowd he heard shouting and screaming from the area of the door leading to the kitchen. At first he thought Senator KENNEDY had decided to leave the Embassy Room through the crowd, but later people began saying that there had been a shooting and someone began asking for a doctor. About this time, STEVE SMITH asked the people to leave the Embassy Room. RISING and his wife then went into the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel. While in the lobby rumors again spread that KENNEDY had not been shot, but one of the aides had been shot. Still later a man wearing a sweater came out of the Embassy Room and said that KENNEDY had been shot. The sweater the man was wearing had blood on it and RISING stated that he was the man in the newspaper photograph shown fanning KENNEDY. When this man came into the lobby and stated that KENNEDY had been shot, another individual, unknown to RISING, became excited and started to fight with him. After breaking up this fight, RISING next recalls seeing the police taking SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN from the Ambassador Hotel. This was the first time RISING can recall ever seeing SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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While awaiting in the lobby to see what was happening, RISING recalls talking to someone who stated that they had seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN earlier in the evening trying to get into the Embassy Room by claiming that he was with the press. This person was also supposed to have seen SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN trying to get into a better position near the stage when Senator KENNEDY was giving his victory speech. RISING is not certain who this person was, but he believes it was either JERRY DODDERMAN, or a friend of DODDERMAN's. RISING was not sure of the spelling of DODDERMAN and thought that perhaps it could have been DODDERSON. In any case, DODDERMAN handled the sound equipment for KENNEDY, was formerly employed by a newspaper in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and should be able to be contacted through TED KENNEDY's Office in Washington D. C. RISING further described this man as being a white male, approximately 23 years old, blond curly hair, six feet tall.

At about 2:00 am, RISING and his wife, SHARON, left the Ambassador Hotel and went to the home of BOB THOMPSON, later returning, at about 4:00 am, to the Ambassador Hotel, where he picked up his car and returned to his own home.

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Date 7/8/68

Mr. A. W. RISSEr, 4020 Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas, advised he is employed as a soundman with National Broadcasting Company (NBC). RISSEr said he was a member of the official party traveling with Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY prior to Senator KENNEDY's assassination. He traveled with the KENNEDY party from May 19, 1968, until the time of KENNEDY's assassination in Los Angeles. He traveled with him and worked with him throughout the primary elections in the States of Oregon and California. Included in the party for NBC were Mr. HENRY KOKOJAN, a cameraman and Mr. TOM McLENDON, an electrician, who were also associated with the group.

On the early morning of June 5, 1968, and during the evening of June 4, 1968, RISSEr and his NBC group were stationed in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles to make films of Senator KENNEDY's victory speech in the California Primary election. RISSEr said immediately after Senator KENNEDY finished the victory speech shortly after midnight, he left the stand through a rear exit. RISSEr said he and the other members of the NBC crew remained in the Embassy Room finishing up their assigned jobs when they were suddenly aware that something had happened in the outside hallway at the rear of the stage. RISSEr advised because he and the crew were in the process of finishing up the filming and because they were unaware of what had happened to Senator KENNEDY, no further filming was done during the course of the shooting incident. RISSEr said he was not an eye witness to the shooting because he remained in the Embassy Room and he does not possess any photographs which were taken at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot. RISSEr said at the actual time of the shooting he was stationed behind a camera platform which had been constructed in the Embassy Room. The platform was located across the room from the speakers stand. He advised all television and motion picture cameras were situated in this location.

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RISSEK said the members of the NBC crew had expected Senator KENNEDY to leave the room by the main entrance to the room which would have been to Senator KENNEDY's left from the position in which he had just spoken. The reason for his last minute change of plans was not known. It was presumed by the NBC crew that KENNEDY had changed his route in order to save time in leaving the room. RISSEK said the room was very crowded and it would have taken Senator KENNEDY considerably longer to leave the room by the main entrance. RISSEK said he saw a group of people looking into a kitchen hallway and suddenly people began screaming and crying. RISSEK's first impression was Senator KENNEDY had collapsed from physical exhaustion due to the intensive schedule he maintained throughout the Oregon and California primaries. RISSEK said he did not know who made the decision which changed KENNEDY's route on leaving the Embassy Room. He said he presumed this was a last minute decision on the part of someone since it had been expected Senator KENNEDY would exit through the main entrance, although nothing definite had ever been said on the actual route he was to leave the room.

RISSEK said he did not observe SIRHAN SIRHAN prior to the time Senator KENNEDY was shot and he did not observe SIRHAN any time after the shooting.

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Date 7/2/68

RICHARD HARVEY RITTNER, age 18, 5132 White Oak Avenue, Encino, California, Apartment No. 108, telephone number 788-2286, furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968:

On the evening of June 4, 1968, he went to Dodger Stadium and saw the Los Angeles Dodgers-Pittsburgh Pirates baseball game with friends JIM and ANDREA BUSCH. He returned to his home where he changed his clothes then went to JIM's house in Sherman Oaks, from where the three of them departed en route to the Ambassador Hotel to see Senator KENNEDY. On the inbound Hollywood Freeway at approximately Barham Boulevard they heard the beginning of the speech. After arriving at the Ambassador Hotel they parked their car in the rear parking lot directly south of the Ambassador Hotel facing south. They decided not to enter the hotel since the speech was still going on and there was a very large crowd in the vicinity and they thought that the ballroom would be very crowded. Immediately following the speech they heard a lot of confusion on the radio, and then they heard someone try to clear the room. Then, STEPHEN SMITH came on the air and started telling everyone to please clear the room. They thought at that time that he was Senator KENNEDY because of his accent. Then another individual, who they later learned was a priest, came on the air and stated, "we need medical attention for the Senator. Please clear the room".

At that time two individuals came walking quickly by their car heading south. One, a male caucasian of Mexican extraction was asked by JIM what had happened, and this individual stated that he worked at the hotel as a waiter; that he had just shaken hands with Senator KENNEDY; and, that someone had just shot Senator KENNEDY and that he was dead. As this individual was stating that Senator KENNEDY had just been shot, he demonstrated this by simulating a gun with his right hand and pointed it to his head. He also stated that he had ducked to the floor to get out of the way of the bullets.

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He, RITTNER, was seated on the passenger side of the BUSCH car next to the window and he saw this individual through the front window. A female caucasian, who was with the unknown male, was standing on the passenger side of the BUSCH car next to RITTNER but she did not say anything.

He described these individuals as follows:

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| (1) | Race | Mexican |
| | Sex | Male |
| | Age | 25 to 35 years |
| | Height | 5'9" to 5'10" |
| | Weight | 170 to 190 pounds |
| | Dress | Dark stingy brim hat;
Blue shirt, khaki trousers,
dark cardigan sweater;
untidy appearance |
| (2) | Sex | Female |
| | Race | Caucasian |
| | Hair | Shoulder length brown in color |
| | Dress | Long dark coat |

After JIM talked to the unknown male individual they went toward the Ambassador Hotel where JIM's sister, ANDREA, saw a plainclothes policeman to whom they told the story concerning the eyewitness. They then went into the hotel where they saw some of the television coverage of the event on channel two from the RAFFERTY headquarters. He recalls that approximately 1:40 a.m., he telephoned his father to tell him that KENNEDY had been shot and that he, RITTNER, was all right. He recalls hearing a story being passed around that a boy from Encino was shot and he didn't want his father to think that he was the boy. He recalls that they stayed at the hotel until approximately 4:00 a.m., when he and JIM BUSCH went home together after stopping off for coffee. JIM's sister, ANDREA, met some friends at the hotel and went home with them.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/20/68

WARREN ROGERS, 1622 30th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., (WDC) furnished the following information:

He advised that he is employed by "Look" Magazine as their WDC Bureau Chief. He said that on June 5, 1968, he was in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. He stated that he had been in the Embassy Room during most of Senator KENNEDY's speech, but had gone to the temporary press headquarters in the Colonial Room just prior to the conclusion of the speech.

ROGERS said that he was in the Colonial Room when he heard what he thought to be firecrackers being fired. He said he immediately went out of the Colonial Room through the door into the kitchen area. He said that he ran into a number of people struggling with a man who was later identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN. ROGERS said that he did not see KENNEDY shot.

ROGERS said that at the time he left the Embassy Room, which was during KENNEDY's speech, it was his understanding that KENNEDY planned to come to the Colonial Room through the kitchen area. He said that to the best of his knowledge it was KENNEDY's own idea to go via the kitchen in order to avoid the large crowd in the Embassy Room. He recalled the original plan had been for KENNEDY to exit through the crowd in the Embassy Room, but this was changed as stated above. He said there was no indication that anyone other than KENNEDY influenced the change.

ROGERS said that he had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN prior to the shooting and could not recall seeing any girl in a polka-dot dress.

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6/15/68

Date _____

MICHAEL ROUNSEVILLE, age 19, residing 9660 Bascom, Pico Rivera, California advised on the evening of June 4, 1968, he and an acquaintance, PAT OSBORN, went from Pico Rivera to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, to attend the victory celebration of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, who apparently had won the delegates from the State of California to the Democratic National Convention to be held in the Summer of 1968. He stated they arrived at the Ambassador Hotel about 8:00 p.m. and attempted to enter the room where Senator KENNEDY was to give his victory speech. They were prohibited from entering the room and advised the room was only for members of the press or people who had held executive positions in the KENNEDY campaign. ROUNSEVILLE stated thereafter he and OSBORN were directed to another room in the hotel where precinct workers of the campaign were holding a victory celebration. He stated he remained in this room for the remainder of the evening and he stated he watched on television monitors the victory statement given by Senator KENNEDY in another room of the hotel.

He stated, however, that he had never been in the presence of Senator KENNEDY that evening or the following morning and only became aware of the assassination of the Senator when the word spread through the hotel that the Senator had been shot. ROUNSEVILLE said he did not see the senator and did not see the assassination. He has no knowledge whatsoever of the alleged assassin or circumstances surrounding the assassination except those he has learned from the press and television.

ROUNSEVILLE stated the only information he could give which would have any bearing whatsoever on the investigation regarding the assassination of Senator KENNEDY is that he did see a young girl in the room where he was at the Ambassador Hotel, who in an apparent emotional outburst made some muddled comments regarding the assassination. He stated

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this girl, name unknown, later was interviewed by one or more of the television networks and the girl furnished information concerning the presence at the assassination scene of another girl in a polkadot dress. ROUNSEVILLE stated he would question and examine closely any statements made by this girl who furnished information concerning the girl in the polkadot dress, because it is his considered opinion that this girl in such a highly emotional state, could have said anything, none of which might have had any basis in reality.

ROUNSEVILLE advised that the photograph of him and OSBORN, which appeared in the latest edition of Life magazine along with others depicting the apparent state of shock was not taken anyplace in the immediate vicinity of the assassination, but in another room entirely removed from the assassination site.

ROUNSEVILLE advised that he could furnish no other information concerning this matter.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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6/28/68

Date _____

LON BRUCE RUBIN, 5925 Glade Avenue, Woodland Hills, California, home telephone 883-2133, advised that he is an attorney, although not practicing in his profession at the present time. RUBIN stated he is presently engaged in the building business and is associated with the Kaufman and Broad Building Company, whose offices are located at 10889 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, business telephone numbers 879-2780 or 478-2021. RUBIN advised that during the evening of June 4, 1968, he and his wife, BARBARA, attended the theatre. They were joined by another couple named Mr. and Mrs. PHILLIP BELL, address unknown, Arcadia, California. RUBIN stated that BELL was employed with him in the building business. After attending the theatre, and on the spur of the moment, they decided to go to the Ambassador Hotel and attempt to see Senator KENNEDY. RUBIN advised they drove to the hotel in separate cars.

Upon arrival at the Ambassador Hotel, RUBIN advised he let his wife, BARBARA, off at the Wilshire lobby entrance. He continued up to the parking area where he received a parking ticket from the attendant, which clocked in at 11:55 p.m. RUBIN advised he still has this parking ticket in his possession. He then continued to the lower parking lot, where he parked his car and returned to the hotel on foot. RUBIN advised he proceeded to the hotel where he met the BELL couple, talked for approximately a minute, and then looked for his wife. RUBIN estimated that approximately fifteen minutes had elapsed from the time he parked his car and the time he finally located his wife, BARBARA. RUBIN stated they were unable to enter the Embassy Room where Senator KENNEDY was speaking inasmuch as the room was filled to capacity, and there were Security Guards at the doors. He stated the BELL couple decided to leave, but he and his wife were intent upon getting into the room where Senator KENNEDY was speaking. RUBIN stated he and his wife then walked down a hallway, where they observed a door which they entered and found themselves in a kitchen. They proceeded

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through the kitchen and found themselves in the Embassy Room at the podium where Senator KENNEDY was just ending his speech. RUBIN recalled Senator KENNEDY, at the conclusion of his speech, made some comment concerning Mayor YORTY. RUBIN recalled when he walked through the kitchen, he observed some waiters by a check-out desk. He also observed three waiters who were wearing white jackets. He vaguely recalled an individual who looked out of place standing to his left as he proceeded through the kitchen toward the ballroom. RUBIN recalled this person appeared to be wearing work-type clothes, possibly jeans, and his facial characteristics conformed with those of the waiters. RUBIN advised he did not pay any attention to this person and therefore would not be able to identify him.

RUBIN stated after Senator KENNEDY concluded his speech, he turned to his right and walked from the podium toward the kitchen. RUBIN stated his wife, BARBARA, who was on the other side of the podium, also proceeded toward the kitchen door in an effort to get a look at Senator KENNEDY. RUBIN advised he was approximately ten feet behind his wife, being pushed forward by the crowd. He stated his wife disappeared through the doors which entered into the kitchen. Shortly thereafter, he heard approximately six shots, and at the time he recalled that it sounded like an electrical outlet had shorted out. RUBIN stated from his position, at this time, he was unable to look into the kitchen. RUBIN stated the next thing he remembers was a woman running through the kitchen doors into his arms. She had blood on her. RUBIN stated there was a Security Guard to his right, and he pushed the woman over to the guard and instructed him to get a doctor. At this point, RUBIN stated he was intent on getting to his wife, and he managed to step just inside the kitchen door where he found the area in complete pandemonium. He also observed people lying on the floor. He said at this point his wife, BARBARA, met him, and she appeared to be in a state of shock and requested him to get her out of there. RUBIN stated he guided her through the crowd, and they finally managed to get across the ballroom and proceeded to the ALAN CRANSTON Headquarters. RUBIN said he sat his wife down and obtained a drink for her. They remained here for a short period and watched the activities on television. RUBIN stated his wife

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was still in a state of shock, and they left the hotel and returned to their car. RUBIN stated that due to the confusion and traffic, they were unable to move from the parking lot. After some period of time, RUBIN recalled that a woman came up to the car and asked if there were any witnesses to the shooting, as the police wanted to interview them. RUBIN advised he and wife then left the vehicle and returned to the hotel.

Photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, together with other photographs, were displayed to RUBIN, and he advised, as an attorney and in good conscience, he could not identify this person as being identical to the individual he observed in the kitchen.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/26/68

BARBARA RUBIN, also known as Mrs. Lon Bruce Rubin, housewife, 5925 Glade Avenue, Woodland Hills, California, telephone 883-2133, related the following:

She and her husband had gone to the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968. The purpose was to join the campaign party of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. They were unable to get into the Embassy Room through the main entrance, as it was full. They found that by going through a kitchen area, off this room, they could enter the Embassy Room without being challenged. There were only three people in the kitchen when she and her husband entered. They were all dark complected men, two of whom appeared to be kitchen workers as they were moving about. One was tall and the other short. The third man, slight of build, was just standing against the wall in about the middle of the kitchen. She did not note details of his dress but did note this third man did not appear to be a kitchen worker.

Mrs. RUBIN and her husband went on into the Embassy Room just as Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was finishing his speech. They had arrived at a point a few feet from the podium where Senator KENNEDY was standing when he made some remark about Mayor SAM YORTY of Los Angeles, which ended his speech. Senator KENNEDY then started for the kitchen. Mr. and Mrs. RUBIN followed him. They were separated by the pressure of the crowd near the kitchen door and Mrs. RUBIN followed the KENNEDY party into the kitchen. Mr. RUBIN got trapped and did not get into the kitchen.

Mr. PAUL SCHRADE was right behind Senator KENNEDY and Mrs. RUBIN was behind Mr. SCHRADE when she suddenly heard three shots followed by five quick shots. She realized someone was shooting in her direction but she could not see who it was, as Mr. SCHRADE was taller than she. She, at this point, "hit the floor" along with a young blonde woman, and kept her head down until she felt the shooting had stopped. She saw people go down on the floor and briefly saw Mr. KENNEDY on the floor. When she

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got up she ran out of the kitchen to join her husband. She hid behind things until she found her way out as she did not know whether or not there might be more shooting.

The Los Angeles Police Department had questioned Mrs. RUBIN briefly after the shooting, asking her if she had seen the shooting. She replied "no" and was not questioned further.

Mrs. RUBIN had appeared on television but was not interviewed. She was standing near the door of the Embassy Room when the television news cameras picked up an interview being conducted of a Negro doctor who had been at the scene. There had been some comment in news programs and in the press of a couple being sought for interview, exact source not recalled. She was of the opinion the descriptions furnished of the couple being sought and apparently seen in the kitchen area before the shooting generally fit that of her and her husband.

Mrs. RUBIN described herself as a white female, 33 years of age, 5' 5", wearing two-inch heels, olive complexion, 135 - 140 pounds, dark shoulder length hair worn bouffant style, dark eyes. She was wearing a white dress with red belt sash and a bright red and white checkered jacket. She, at times, carried the jacket.

She described Mr. RUBIN as a white male, 6', 185 pounds, 35 years of age, broad shoulders. He was wearing a navy blue blazer and gray slacks.

Mrs. RUBIN furnished a photograph of herself taken in March 1968, which she said could be used for further identification if desired. The photograph need not be returned.

Following examination of photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and his brothers, Mrs. RUBIN was of the opinion that the photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN resembled the person she had seen in the kitchen

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standing against the wall about five to seven minutes before Senator KENNEDY finished his speech. She had not noted the man in question in the kitchen closely enough to make a positive identification. She had no recollection of seeing any of the brothers of SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time.

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Date 6/24/68

WILLIAM SCOTT, Vice President and Director of News, WMCA Radio, New York, New York, was interviewed by Special Agents JOHN BRADSHAW, JR. and JAMES E. SNIEGOCKI at his office, 415 Madison Avenue, New York, New York.

SCOTT advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4 and 5, 1968 at time Senator Robert F. Kennedy was shot. He related a statement that he had made to associates, that approximately one and one half hours preceding the KENNEDY shooting, that he witnessed an unidentified white male walking past the Radio Press Table in a strange manner. This incident was recalled by him after the shooting in that this individual had his right hand in his coat pocket with his left hand clasped over the coat pocket. At the time, he thought maybe this individual had stolen some of the press equipment and was trying to hide it in his pocket. He checked and did not note any equipment missing. Later, however, after seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN's photograph he recalled a similarity of SIRHAN with this unidentified male and thought maybe this was SIRHAN and possibly that he was holding a gun in his pocket. The unidentified male, of the general description of SIRHAN, was wearing a light blue zipper, windbreaker type, jacket and tan khaki trousers.

SCOTT stated that he was not in the immediate area of the Hotel of the shooting and had no photographs of the ensuing events. Other than possibly the above unidentified person being SIRHAN, he does not recall seeing SIRHAN either before or after the shooting.

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Date July 3, 1968

Mr. KENNETH A. GIEG, Route 2, Box 427, stated that on Friday, May 31, 1968, while attending the afternoon races at the Hollywood Park Racetrack with his brother, KEITH M. GIEG, he took up a conversation with a man he now believes to be identical to SIRHAN SIRHAN. He stated he did not know it was SIRHAN until he viewed recent photographs of SIRHAN in newspapers and on television. SIRHAN appeared well educated, spoke intelligently with good English and had only a slight trace of an accent. He stated during the early part of the races SIRHAN's only conversation was about the various horses and matters generally pertaining to racing. He said that later, during possibly the fifth or sixth race, a man's name which appeared to be Jewish appeared on the card and SIRHAN stated he was "an Arab" and began degrading the Jews. He advised SIRHAN was standing with him and his brother from about the third race until they left at the end of the eighth race for a total time span of about one and a half to two hours.

He stated that during that time he did not observe anyone in the area who appeared to know SIRHAN and SIRHAN talked to no one but them.

He said SIRHAN did not "flash around" a lot of money nor act like he had a lot of money. He added he did not observe a billfold but rather noted he took his bills from a small roll. He was of the opinion that this man he believes to be SIRHAN was the type of person who spent a lot of time around racetracks and based his opinion on the fact he observed this man to be knowledgeable about horses and races and interested in the same.

He stated he would describe this man as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	About 25
Height	5'2"
Weight	120-130
Build	Small
Complexion	Olive
Hair	Dark, bushy
Features	Small hands with very small fingernails
Clothing	Dark slacks, light colored windbreaker

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/23/68

Mr. JERRY ALLEN SIMS, 13048 Cornish Crest Road, Whittier, California, a free-lance cameraman, telephone No. 944-6822, phoned the Los Angeles Office of the FBI and stated that the FBI in New York City had been attempting to locate him for interview as a potential witness in the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

Mr. SIMS said that he was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, at the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot and that he did not see the shooting nor did he see SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time.

Mr. SIMS had traveled with the Senator ROBERT KENNEDY Campaign Party in Indiana, Oregon, Northern California and the Los Angeles area and he had no recollection of having ever seen any person who he thought might be SIRHAN SIRHAN.

Mr. SIMS said that he was a co-operator of two corporations in New York City, "Simthing" Company and Fortune Cookie Films, 630 9th Avenue, Suite 411, New York City, New York. If it was ever desired to contact him, he could be reached either at a call service telephone No. in New York City, JU 6-6490 who would know his whereabouts at all times, or at his above residence phone. SIMS claimed to do contract work for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

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1Date 7/17/68

FREDDIE STEWART, 17156 Ventura Boulevard, advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968. Mr. STEWART said that he has no personal knowledge concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said he was not in the area where Mr. KENNEDY was shot.

Mr. STEWART said that he has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and he does not ever recall having met this individual before. He said that he cannot recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the Ambassador Hotel during the night of June 4-5, 1968.

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Date 7/13/68

Mr. WILLIAM A. SWEARINGEN, 10829 Barman Avenue, Culver City, telephone 838-3469, was contacted at Paramount Studios, Melrose and Marathon, Hollywood, California. He furnished the following information:

His Social Security Number is He was born July 24, 1937, at Hollywood, Florida. He is a freelance cameraman.

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On June 4, 1968, he was working as assistant cameraman on a CBS camera crew assigned to the Ambassador Hotel. The cameraman was JOHN VIAZANKO.

Shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968, he was in the hallway just outside the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel.

He heard someone say, "Something happened inside". He could not recall the identity of this individual.

He did not hear any sounds that sounded like gun shots.

A short time later, he observed an individual, who he could not describe, being carried out of the pantry area of the hotel by several individuals.

About the same time he heard people in the hotel saying that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot in the kitchen area of the hotel.

He attempted to enter the kitchen area but was denied entrance by a security guard.

He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised that he saw this individual's photograph in the newspaper on June 5, 1968, and also observed SIRHAN on television.

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He noted that prior to observing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper that he did not ever see this individual before.

He advised that he did not see SIRHAN on the night that Senator KENNEDY was shot.

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Date 6/20/681

BILL THEIS, Hearst Newspapers, 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., furnished the following information:

In his capacity as a correspondent for Hearst Newspapers, THEIS accompanied the KENNEDY campaign party part of the time in the Oregon primary and in the California primary. He spent his time between the KENNEDY and MC CARTHY campaigns in both Oregon and California. In California he accompanied KENNEDY around San Francisco and on the Senator's train trip from Fresno to Sacramento. THEIS was not with the KENNEDY party during the campaigning around Los Angeles.

At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, THEIS was in a temporary press room adjoining the room where the Senator gave his victory speech. He and the other reporters were in this room waiting for the Senator to appear for a press conference after the victory speech.

As the reporters were expecting KENNEDY's appearance in the room they heard noises sounding like firecrackers. Ten to fifteen seconds after these noises THEIS went through the doors into the kitchen where he observed ROOSEVELT GRIER, RAUFER JOHNSON and BILL BARRY wrestling with an individual whom he later learned was SIRHAN SIRHAN. He also saw the Senator on the floor.

He immediately went to a phone and called his office. While he was on the phone he saw the police take SIRHAN out of the hotel.

After KENNEDY's victory speech THEIS did not know how KENNEDY intended to enter the temporary press room, but only that he was to make an appearance in that room. THEIS did not remember having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time prior

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to seeing him on the floor wrestling with BARRY, JOHNSON and GRIER. THEIS did not remember seeing a girl in a polka-dot dress at the election night party at the Ambassador Hotel.

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1Date 7/10/68

KAY THOMSON, 3010 West Fourth Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone Number 382-3397, who was the coordinator of Citizens Groups for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and who is now employed in like capacity for ALAN CRANSTON, Democratic Senatorial candidate for the State of California, furnished the following information concerning her knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY:

On June 4, 1968, she arrived at the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel with her husband, ROBERT THOMSON, and prior to the speech by the Senator, she concerned herself with making arrangements for many volunteers to enter the ball room who had not been issued passes. During the speech, she and her husband were located in the southwest corner of the ball room, and shortly after the speech ended, the crowd seemed to surge toward the area just to the right of the platform and then it surged back. She did not hear any unusual noises at the time but she did hear a woman scream "He's dead," after which this woman became generally disturbed. She then heard THAD HEATH call from the platform area for a doctor. She also heard DAVID STEINER do the same thing. STEPHEN SMITH, Senator KENNEDY's brother-in-law, then took the microphone and asked the crowd in the ball room to please leave the area. With her husband, ROBERT, and several other individuals whose names she does not know, they attempted to clear the assembled individuals from the Embassy Room. When this was done, she and her husband returned immediately to their apartment where they followed the proceedings on television.

She was shown a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and she advised that she did not see this individual at any time while at the Ambassador Hotel and that she can furnish no further information regarding the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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1Date 7/10/68

ROBERT E. THOMSON, 3010 West Fourth Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone Number 382-3397, furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968:

He arrived at the ball room of the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 8:00 p.m. on June 4, 1968, and waited there until Senator KENNEDY started his speech. He recalled standing between the television platforms located on the west and south walls of the Embassy Room. Shortly after the Senator's speech, at approximately midnight, he thought he heard balloons popping, and he assumed that the balloons he heard were those that were used as decorations over the platform area from which the Senator spoke. Just after this, however, he heard someone say that the Senator was shot and he noticed that this reaction spread across the room. At that time he realized that the sounds he had thought were balloons popping must have been shots.

Shortly thereafter he observed a middle aged lady being escorted from the kitchen area with blood streaming down her face. Following this, he and his wife attempted to clear the ball room in support of instructions from the Los Angeles Police Department. After the ball room was cleared, he and his wife, KAY, left the Ambassador Hotel and returned to their home where they watched the remaining events on television.

THOMSON was shown a photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and advised that he did not observe this individual at any time while at the Ambassador Hotel. He stated he could furnish no further information of value concerning the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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1Date 7/15/68

JOY THORNTON residing at 1280 South Barrington Avenue, Apartment 22, Los Angeles, California, advised that she and her husband JOHN were at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles on the night of June 4 - 5, 1968.

She stated that she and her husband were present at the time that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY gave his victory speech in the Embassy Room. She stated that about one hour before Senator KENNEDY gave the speech she and her husband entered the room through the kitchen where Senator KENNEDY was later shot.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that she has no personal knowledge concerning the activities that took place in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot. She stated she and her husband were not in the immediate area at the time he was shot. She stated she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and she cannot recall ever having seen this individual before. She stated she did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time while she was at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968 - June 5, 1968.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that she was a volunteer worker at the KENNEDY for President Campaign Headquarters located at 5616 Wilshire Boulevard. She stated she worked for about three months prior to the primary election at the front desk in the headquarters. She stated she worked about 12 hours a day during this time and she does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN SIRHAN at the headquarters.

Mrs. THORNTON stated that her husband JOHN could furnish no further information other than what she has already given.

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On June 20, 1968, STAN TRETICK, 2953 Arizona Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC) was contacted by SA R. STEVEN POLACHEK. TRETICK said that he is a reporter for "Look" Magazine and was in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 5, 1968. He said that at the time Senator KENNEDY was shot he (TRETICK) was in the KENNEDY suite on the 5th floor of the hotel. TRETICK advised that he did not know which way the KENNEDY party intended to leave the Embassy Room and he said that he had not seen SIRHAN prior to the shooting. He could offer no information concerning the girl in the polka-dot dress.

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Date 6/7/68

Mrs. KATHERINE A. TURRELL, residence, 20912 Spindrift Lane, Huntington Beach, was contacted at her father's residence, 2127 Aralia Street. She advised that she and her family attended the Senator KENNEDY victory celebration at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4-5, 1968. She stated that she was standing about ten feet to the right of Senator KENNEDY as he spoke recognizing his victory on June 4, 1968, in the California primary and that many KENNEDY supporters had lined up, arm in arm, on Senator KENNEDY's right, providing a corridor through which he was expected to travel.

She stated it was her understanding Senator KENNEDY would exit to his right, through this human corridor to leave through a door behind and to the right of her, which she could not see. She stated there were many good sized men in this human corridor, and approximately at midnight on June 4, 1968, she looked over this group into the Embassy Room. On the other side of the human corridor she observed an individual standing above the corridor. She surmised he must have been standing on a box of some kind. She stated this individual joined his hands together and gestured to someone behind her and to her right who she did not see, as if he was going to dive over the human corridor. She stated that with his lips he said, "I am going to get him." She stated she barely heard him utter these words, could not recall what his voice sounded like but there is no doubt in her mind that he uttered these words. She stated she cannot be sure what he meant, but since there were several hundred people in the Embassy Room, the noise made his voice just barely audible. She estimated she stood about 30 feet from this individual and described him as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	In mid 20s
Hair	Dark, with sideburns and

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Clothing Apparel	small mustache; hair receding and bald in front White, button down shirt, open at the neck, wearing white golf alpaca sweater
Build	Slender
Complexion	Olive

She advised that sometime later after the shooting of the Senator occurred, she met with her father, FREDERICK BAEDEKER, at the Ambassador and told him of this incident. She advised that when they returned home on June 5, 1968, and while watching Tempo I, the STAN BORHAM and MARIA COLE show, at noon, she observed this individual being interviewed by them and identified him to her father as the same individual who had made the above statement.

She stated the above individual who she described is definitely not SIRHAN, the suspect in this case, and she saw no girl in a polka dot dress.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/26/68

Miss ONDINE VAUGHN, also known as Kathleen Vaughn, Room 236, Sunset Marguis Hotel, 1200 Alta Loma Drive, Los Angeles, California, actress and photographer, related the following:

She expects to be at the above address for two or three weeks and may go to New York City, where she can be reached at 170 West 73rd Street, Apartment 9-D, telephone 787-5087. She may remain in the Los Angeles area for a while longer and if so she can be reached at 22548 Pacific Coast Highway, Apartment 111, Malibu, California.

Miss VAUGHN, who had been doing some free lance photography in New York and recently had a contract to do work for the "New Yorker" magazine, had more recently been traveling with the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party. She was present in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the early morning of June 5, 1968. She did not see the shooting or the immediate aftermath. She, at the time, was in the press area overlooking the Embassy Room. She collected a number of photographs of the party in the Embassy Room which she sent to STEVE SHAPIRO in New York City, New York. He markets photographs and can be contacted through Black Star, 450 Park Avenue South, New York, New York.

The film still shots are in black and white. She expected to have copies of the film in two or three weeks. She will make the film available to the FBI if it is desired to examine it.

Following examination of photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and his brothers, Miss VAUGHN said she had no recollection of having ever seen any of these persons at any time.

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Date 7/19/68

Miss LISA LYNN URSO, 6405 Bradford Street, San Diego, advised that in June of this year she was a member of the group at Crawford High School, San Diego, supporting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's campaign for the presidency. On the evening of June 4, 1968, LISA and two of her girl friends, who were also working in the KENNEDY Campaign, drove to Los Angeles to follow the results of the Primary Election vote at the Ambassador Hotel where KENNEDY had his temporary headquarters. Being head of the KENNEDY supporters at Crawford High School LISA had a badge which admitted her to areas not accessible to her two friends. By the time Senator KENNEDY began his victory speech in the ballroom of the Hotel, LISA was separated from her friends. She did not again get together with her friends until hours after the assassination. Her friends had no first hand knowledge concerning the shooting.

LISA said that while KENNEDY was giving his victory speech, she had left the Embassy Room, where he was speaking, and gone to the kitchen to get a drink of water. After getting the drink, she walked in the kitchen to cool off. There were about fifteen or twenty people in the kitchen at this time. She was still in the kitchen when KENNEDY finished his speech. She stayed in the kitchen because she thought he might go to the press room in the hotel after his speech and to go there he would have to go through the hallway of the kitchen. When KENNEDY came out of the Embassy Room and was in the hall of the kitchen LISA noticed, out of the corner of her eye, that a young man in front of her was reaching across his body with his right hand. She subconsciously thought he was getting ready to shake hands with KENNEDY, but when he continued the motion she had the thought that he was reaching for a gun. She then saw him bring his arm back out in front and up and he took a slight step forward. She is not certain that she saw a gun in his hand but she heard shots and saw flames coming from the tip of his hand. She recalls hearing three definite shots and then there was chaos. There could have been more shots, the sound of which was covered by the outcries of the people in the room. She saw Senator KENNEDY grab the back of his head with his right hand. People closed in on the young man and she lost sight of him, but knew the people were holding him down on a table. She did not see

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the young man disarmed.

LISA said that she had not by this time seen the young man's face but in standing behind him she said she noticed his hair as black, thick and "real curly." Also he was wearing a jacket with a weave like denim. She does not remember the color of the jacket, but believes it was blue or beige. It was not a sports coat. He was very close to LISA's height; if anything he was slightly shorter. He had been just forward of her left shoulder but the step he took just before shooting brought him in front of her.

After the shooting LISA went into the press room and next saw the young man when he was being taken out of the building. She saw his face for the first time then as he glared at the people in the press room. She is certain that this was the same young man who had fired the shots.

LISA said that she does not believe anyone was with this young man and she did not see anyone with him nor does she recall him talking with anyone.

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Date 7/18/68

JOHN PAUL VIAZANKO, 15034 Chase Street, Sepulveda, California, telephone number 894-4805 was interviewed at the Columbia Broadcasting System building located at Fairfax and Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. He furnished the following information:

His Social Security No. is [redacted] He was born on [redacted], at Adah, Pennsylvania. He is a free lance cameraman.

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On June 4, 1968, he was assigned as a cameraman and working for the Columbia Broadcasting System at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. His assistant cameraman was WILLIAM A. SWEARINGEN.

He was at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 6:30 PM on June 4, 1968, filming a "Youth in Politics Show". Shortly after filming that show he left the Ambassador Hotel and went to the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles. He returned to the Ambassador Hotel approximately 10:45 PM, on June 4, 1968.

He was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel filming and listening to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, who was making a victory speech.

Shortly after midnight on June 5, 1968, Senator KENNEDY completed his speech and turned and walked out a door located at the rear of the platform. VIAZANKO went out a door located to the right of the platform and as he entered the hallway behind the Embassy Room he observed a white female who was crying and who was showing people that she had blood stains on her dress.

Senator KENNEDY's party had already passed through that area and had entered the kitchen area of the hotel.

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VIAZANKO stated that he did not hear any sounds which would have sounded like gun shots to him.

After observing the white female with the blood stains on her dress, he rushed passed her into the kitchen area and upon entering that area he observed that Senator KENNEDY was lying wounded on the floor. He also observed other individuals who were on the floor and who appeared to be wounded.

He had his camera with him at the time and was told by someone in the room, who he assumed was a security man, to get out of the room and he did leave the room.

After he left the room he decided that he had better get back in there to get some photographs, so he reentered the room. The room where Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor was very crowded and all he could do was hold his camera above his head and take pictures and hope that he was obtaining some good pictures.

VIAZANKO said that he was very busy attempting to obtain photographs and he did not observe the people who were subduing the person who did the shooting nor did he observe the gunman.

VIAZANKO was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he advised that prior to seeing SIRHAN's photograph in the newspaper on June 5, 1968, he does not recall ever having seen this individual.

He stated that LARRY FINDLEY was assigned as a sound man to his camera crew but he does not know where FINDLEY was at the approximate time of the shooting.

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Date 7/12/68

STEVEN B. WAGNER, 12237 Califa Street, telephone number 769-1294, who was a volunteer worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the shooting at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968:

At approximately 10:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel and tried to gain entry to the Embassy Room but the fire marshals had closed it. He also tried to get into the Colonial Room; however, he could not gain access to that room since he did not have the proper badge. He then heard and saw the Senator speak on the television monitors which were set up on the patio outside the Embassy Room. He was in this area when the shooting occurred. He first realized that something unusual had happened when he heard screams and someone say that the Senator was shot. He then saw a flood of people exit the Embassy Room. Standing with him was TIFFANY JONAS. They saw an injured person being carried out of the Embassy Ballroom whom he thinks was IRWIN STROLL, and many people followed immediately after him.

Also with him was another volunteer worker, VICKI CUCCIA, 730 South Kingsley Drive, and she appeared very upset over the shooting so he decided to walk her home, which is a short distance from the hotel. When they were approximately one and one-half blocks from the hotel on Normandy Avenue, he observed a man in a white uniform similar to the uniforms worn at the Ambassador Hotel climb into a blue and white Ford which was parked on the east side of Normandy, facing north. He stated there were two blue and white cars parked one behind the other and that one was a 1957 Ford and the other was a 1967 or 1968 Ford. He does not recall which automobile this individual drove off in. He cannot further describe this individual and did not observe in which direction the car went after leaving its parking space.

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After walking VICKI CUCCIA to her residence, he returned to the Ambassador Hotel and looked for TIFFANY JONAS, but he could not find her. He stated that he was concerned about her since she also appeared very upset over the shooting. He stayed at the hotel for approximately an hour and then went to the Good Samaritan Hospital.

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Date 7/8/68

MICHAEL LAURENCE WAYNE, residence address, 1430 South Hi-Point, Apartment 105, Los Angeles, California, telephone WE 4-9851, was interviewed at his place of employment, Pickwick Books, Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, telephone HO 9-3191. He is employed there in the Accounts Receivable Department in the office.

He advised that he was an admirer of Presidential aspirant ROBERT F. KENNEDY and has, as a hobby, the collection of various political buttons, banners, and other paraphernalia and autographs. He stated he has done this for many years and has the autographs of President DWIGHT EISENHOWER and current Vice President HUBERT HUMPHREY, among others.

On May 20, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel to the KENNEDY press rooms, and there was given, by a KENNEDY aide, a PT 109 tie clasp. Later on that same day, he, by chance, met Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on the stairway in the lobby area of the hotel and introduced himself to him. They shook hands, and he asked KENNEDY if he would exchange his, KENNEDY's, PT 109 tie clasp for the one that he, WAYNE, had just been given by the KENNEDY aide. They did exchange tie clasps, and WAYNE left.

On the night of June 4, 1968, after he, WAYNE, left work at Pickwick Books, he hitchhiked to the RAFFERTY headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard, east of the Ambassador Hotel and picked up various political pins there. He then hitchhiked to KUCHEL's headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard west of Vermont, where he collected some political publicity there. He then proceeded to the KENNEDY headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard, in the Miracle Mile section of Los Angeles across from the Broadway Department Store, however, left shortly after arrival, because the headquarters was closing up. He then hitchhiked to the MC CARTHY headquarters on Westwood Boulevard in Westwood, where he received further political paraphernalia for his collection as well as the hard cover book, "Limits of Power," written by MC CARTHY. He then

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hitchhiked to the Beverly Hilton Hotel, where he went to the seventh floor and into a CBS television room where MC CARTHY was to appear. He saw MC CARTHY, who autographed the aforementioned book, and shortly thereafter he left and went to the hotel lobby. From there, he hitchhiked a ride with two young caucasian men and a blonde Caucasian girl to the Ambassador Hotel. These persons, whom he has never seen before or since, drove a Sprite automobile. He cannot recall the color. Shortly prior to their arrival at the Ambassador they heard on the radio that the Dodger baseball game had just ended and that DON DRYSDALE had pitched his sixth straight shut out. Upon arrival at the Ambassador, they drove through the Ambassador driveway from Wilshire Boulevard to west Eighth Street, pausing to look to their left into the parking lot to the rear of the hotel. They observed it was full, and the driver continued to West Eighth Street, where he turned right and attempted to enter a parking lot on the northwest corner of West Eighth and the next north-south street west of the hotel. The policeman there notified them that that lot was a private lot but that one could park on the street in the red zone. He, WAYNE, left the car before it was parked and never did see the persons in the Sprite again. He eventually went to the main doors leading into the press room just down the hall toward the lobby from the Embassy Room but was refused entrance thereto by a guard. He then walked from that entrance to the press room toward the Embassy Room and turned right and through the two double doors which lead into the kitchen corridor, where KENNEDY was eventually shot. From this kitchen corridor, he entered the aforementioned press room via the side door. In the press room he was given, by someone there, a blue and white rectangular badge which had printed thereon, "KENNEDY Election Night Press," and shortly thereafter, a woman gave him a green badge that had printed thereon, "KENNEDY for President," and in smaller letters below that, "Press." He clipped the two badges together with his tie clasp. He remained in the press room about ten minutes, however, did not see anyone there that he knew. He then left and went to the main lobby area, where he saw an oriental girl with a number of KENNEDY posters. He asked her for some, and she gave him two. He then proceeded to the RAFFERTY headquarters in a room off the main lobby

and picked up several RAFFERTY buttons for his collection.

He went to the fifth floor of the hotel, where he went into an open room which had a bar set up therein. He drank a scotch and soda, which was free, and he stated the room was rather crowded, however, not packed. He recognized LES GOTMAN in the room, and they exchanged greetings. He characterized GOTMAN as the youth coordinator of the KENNEDY campaign and one who had maintained a desk immediately to the right and in the corner as one would enter the KENNEDY headquarters located on Wilshire Boulevard. He also saw a KENNEDY staff member, whose name he does not know, and they discussed the PT 109 tie clasp that WAYNE had gotten from KENNEDY on the staircase. WAYNE explained that he wanted to keep that tie clasp given him by KENNEDY, and he asked the staff member if he could have another. The staff member took the one he was wearing and gave it to WAYNE. He, WAYNE, also observed, on the fifth floor, a 13 or 14 year old boy he had seen in the press room. Mr. KENNEDY then emerged from his room on the fifth floor, along with the rest of his party and proceeded toward the elevator. He, WAYNE, recognized ROSIE GRIER, and he asked Mr. KENNEDY if he would autograph the poster that he had. KENNEDY said he would later, and he and his party entered one elevator while WAYNE and members of the press entered the other. They alighted from the elevator in the kitchen of the hotel and all proceeded toward the corridor where KENNEDY was eventually shot. In the corridor, WAYNE caught up to KENNEDY and presented the poster, which was autographed by KENNEDY (There is a photograph of KENNEDY autographing the poster on Page 76 of the special edition of Life magazine captioned, "The Kennedys.") After signing the poster, KENNEDY and his party entered the Embassy Room from the aforementioned corridor, and he, WAYNE, remained in the corridor until asked to leave by a woman wearing the red, white and blue colors of the KENNEDY National Press Corps. He left via the double doors at the end of the corridor next to the press room, however, as soon as he saw the woman from the National Press leave he re-entered the corridor. He does not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in the corridor. Shortly thereafter he departed again via the same double doors and went into the Embassy Room where he heard KENNEDY finishing his speech. Just prior to the end of the speech, he, WAYNE,

went through the same double doors again and into the kitchen corridor near the press room. He did not see KENNEDY again. He did observe, however, a group, which he knew was the KENNEDY party, walking toward him from the far end of the kitchen corridor. He remembers hearing some noises that were not loud at about that time. He remembers hearing a few noises and then shortly thereafter a number more. It did not dawn on him at the time what was happening. He did not see KENNEDY get shot or fall to the floor. He heard voices shouting, "Oh, my God, he's been shot," and other such cries, and then remembers seeing ROSIE GRIER and others on top of a man on the chrome table to his front and left. The man was swarthy in complexion, and he stated he was the same man whom he has seen photographs of identified as SIRHAN. He was very shocked and immediately ran into the press room via the side door and picked up the phone and tried to dial the operator, however, could not get the dial tone or anything else. He tried it on several phones with the same results. He then ran into the hallway in the front of the Embassy Room and was asked by persons there what had happened. He advised he could not say and continued to run, seeking a phone, into the Gold Room, where he asked a busboy where a phone was. The busboy did not know, and he ran out of the room and up to a Negro Security Guard, and he asked him where a phone was. The guard wanted to know why he wanted to phone, and he replied that KENNEDY had just been shot, and he wanted to summon aid. The guard appeared to WAYNE not to believe what he had heard, and he handcuffed WAYNE and took him to some security office in the hotel. WAYNE, at this point, was very emotional and crying. The Security Guard advised him of his legal rights, and he remained in the security office about an hour, however, was allowed to get a drink of water and call his mother and girl friend. He was then escorted by two plainclothesmen from the hotel into the Gold Room, where other witnesses were. He was released and went into the next room, where the NBC television was, and ate some rolls, drank cokes, etc. He was then taken to the Rampart Station, Los Angeles Police Department in a police vehicle with many other witnesses and remained there from about 1:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., June 5, 1968. After giving his story as a witness to the police, he was driven home by them in the Los Angeles Police Department van.

He gave no indication whatever that he was displeased with the fact that he had been detained at the hotel.

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He furnished the following physical description
of himself:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Born	May 19, 1947 Manchester, England (Now a naturalized American citizen)
Height	5'9"
Weight	134 pounds
California Driver's License	R961514
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Wears glasses, occasionally contact lenses
Prior Arrests	None
Education	Attends Los Angeles City College, majoring in Political Science and Pre-Law

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/9/68

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Mrs. MARY WHALEN, 1346 Midland Avenue, Bronxville, New York, stated that during the evening of June 4-5, 1968, she was in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY made his victory speech. Standing near Mrs. WHALEN during the speech and shooting was an unknown male. He acted peculiar in that he held a small leather-covered object near his face. Mrs. WHALEN believes that the object, which was about three inches by five inches in dimensions, was either a transistor radio or a small transmitter.

After the shooting, the unknown male approached Mrs. WHALEN and her friend, Mrs. FELICIA MESSURI, wife of National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) Producer-Director ANTHONY MESSURI, and said: "You've seen me here all evening, haven't you? Remember, you have seen me here. Don't forget." At this point the unknown male, who was alone, disappeared and was not seen again.

Mrs. WHALEN described the unknown male as follows:

Race	White
Age	45 to 50
Height	6'
Weight	190 to 200 pounds
Hair	Dark Brown or Black
Complexion	Swarthy
Peculiarity	"Wild-eyed" expression
Dress	Maroon sports jacket and dark knit sports shirt.

Mrs. WHALEN feels certain that she could identify the unknown male if she should ever see him again.

Mrs. WHALEN said she first observed the unknown male while she was going through the crowd to get Mrs.

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BARRY STODDARD, whose husband is also employed at NBC, Rockefeller Center, New York, New York. Mrs. STODDARD, who is presently in the hospital for an eye operation, probably also saw the unknown male.

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1Date 7/15/68

FAY WHITE, 4149 Don Jose Drive, Los Angeles, telephone number 295-4780, advised that she was a volunteer worker for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and she furnished the following information with respect to her knowledge of the events of June 4, 1968, and June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel, where Senator KENNEDY was shot:

She arrived at the hotel at approximately 10:00 p.m., June 4, 1968, and tried to enter the Embassy Room but was denied entry to this room due to the large crowd in the room. She stated that she wore her KENNEDY staff badge which should have authorized her into this room but she was told that the fire marshals had restricted additional entry into the room. She then went to the lower ballroom and entered the Embassy Room from the fire escape which ran to the west side of the Embassy Room. She remained on the west side of the room and heard Senator KENNEDY's speech from there.

She did not hear any unusual sounds after the Senator left the podium to his rear and she did not know that anything of an unusual nature had occurred until she heard a woman scream. She then recalls hearing Senator KENNEDY's brother in-law STEPHEN SMITH ask everyone to clear the room and that is when she left the ballroom.

She was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and she advised that she did not see this individual in the Ambassador Hotel at any time and she can furnish no further information with respect to the shooting.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/25/68

Mr. LLOYD B. WILKINS, residing at 710 West Bennett Street, Compton, and employed as a teacher at the Grate Elementary School, 112th and Wilmington Boulevard, Compton, California, was advised of the nature of the inquiry and advised as follows:

On the evening of June 4, 1968, at approximately 10:00 p.m., he, JACK WINTERS and WINTERS' brother-in-law whose name he cannot recall, went to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, to attend the victory celebration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said they went to the Embassy Room but could not get in as they did not have passes so they proceeded to the Ambassador Ballroom where they watched the proceedings on television.

He said he did not hear any shots or loud noise and first became aware that KENNEDY was shot when someone came into the room and said to change channels as KENNEDY had been shot. He recalled they switched to channel 2 and observed the scene of the shooting. He said they remained in the Ambassador Ballroom for the remainder of the evening and did not go to the area of the shooting. He said he had seen numerous pictures of SIRHAN SIRHAN in both the newspapers and television but does not recall seeing this individual at any time prior to the shooting or afterwards. He was unable to furnish any additional information.

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1Date 6/26/68

JOHNNY LORENZO WILLIAMS, also known as John Williams, 4335 Don Diablo Drive, Baldwin Hills, California, phone AX 4-2443, advised that he is a Negro free-lance announcer and owner of a wig shop called the Black Foxe, Ltd., 1603 South La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles, California. He furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the events of June 4 and 5, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot.

On June 4, 1968, at approximately 10:00 P.M. he went to the Ambassador Hotel to participate in a rally for Senator KENNEDY since he, WILLIAMS, is a member of an organization called "New Images", which he described as a Negro organization formerly dedicated to the support of Senator KENNEDY for the Democratic Presidential nomination. At approximately midnight he heard the Senator speak in the Embassy Room. Following the speech, he observed that Senator KENNEDY was pressed by the large crowd as he started to turn to his, KENNEDY's, right. The Senator then turned to his left and proceeded behind the curtains at the rear of the stage. A few minutes later he heard some rapid sounds which sounded like balloons popping but which he later learned were gun shots. He then observed a female Caucasian, who he later learned was ELIZABETH EVANS, proceed from the direction of the kitchen area of the ballroom with some blood on the side of her head.

He stated that he was approximately in the center of the ballroom when the shooting occurred and did not get any closer to the scene due to the large number of people there. He did not see anyone in a polka dot dress nor can he recall seeing SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN while at the hotel at any time. He advised that BOOKER GRIFFEN, President of the "New Images" and publicity director for the Negro Industrial Economic Union was on the platform with Senator KENNEDY during the Senator's speech. He also stated that GEORGE GREEN, Vice President of "New Images" was also in the ballroom. He further recalls seeing WILLARD MURRAY, Mayor YORTY's assistant in charge of liaison with the Los Angeles Negro community, in the ballroom.

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Date 6/27/68

Mr. EARL C. WILLIMAN, 3412 Helms Avenue, Culver City, California, employed as Assistant Chief Set Electrician, Desilu Studios, and currently Vice President, Studio Electrical Technicians, Local 728, International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Machine Operators of the United States and Canada (IATSE), 1067 North Fairfax Avenue, Los Angeles, California advised as follows:

Representatives of Local 728 attended a breakfast meeting with Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel on June 1, 1968. WILLIMAN subsequently prepared a letter advising the Senator that the union would support him in seeking the Democratic nomination. WILLIMAN completed the letter on the evening of June 4, 1968, and left his home to mail the letter. En route to the post office, he decided to continue to the Ambassador Hotel and deliver the letter to the Senator or to one of his associates. WILLIMAN arrived at the hotel sometime after 10:30 PM, and proceeded to the press room. In the press room, he met the actor, MILTON BERLE, with whom he is acquainted, and gave the letter to BERLE for delivery to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. WILLIMAN then decided to remain at the hotel to witness the activity there. He primarily located himself in an ante room directly behind the speaker's rostrum of the Embassy Room. Senator ROBERT KENNEDY passed by WILLIMAN to arrive at the rostrum and passed directly by him as he departed the rostrum.

WILLIMAN further described this area by saying that an ABC monitoring television set was located in the area and two men from ABC were near the monitor who apparently had something to do with the news coverage of the event. A third man was also in the area who was apparently of Latin-American extraction in that he had dark skin and black, bushy hair. This man was well-dressed and wore a polka dot necktie. He was about 50 years of age and was about 6 feet tall. He was stocky, and had a fat round face. This man sat in a chair in this area during the time WILLIMAN observed him.

WILLIMAN noted that two women also were in this area.

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Both women were white. One was rather young, was fairly attractive and had light hair. She wore a beige dress. This girl seemed interested in WILLIMAN, asked what he was doing in the room and wrote his name down. The other was about 30 - 32 years of age, had dark hair, and wore a short black dress. Subsequent to the shooting, WILLIMAN observed that this second woman was interviewed on one of the television networks.

WILLIMAN did not learn the names of the above-mentioned individuals, and he could furnish no additional descriptive information concerning them.

Upon completion of his speech, Senator KENNEDY departed the rostrum and came into the area occupied by WILLIMAN. KENNEDY was accompanied by a large group of people who swept through this area and into the corridor beyond. WILLIMAN stayed back and watched KENNEDY and the group pass by. WILLIMAN then recalls hearing two shots, and he rushed into the corridor to see what was happening. He noted that a man was on the floor, and then observed an individual with a gun was struggling with ROOSEVELT GRIER and some other people. This individual still had the gun in his hand and GRIER and the others were attempting to obtain possession of the gun. WILLIMAN assisted in the struggle. While struggling with the assailant, WILLIMAN noted that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was also on the floor of the corridor.

In the course of the struggle, WILLIMAN observed that the assailant's arm and hand was being bent over a table or ledge which ran along the side of the corridor. WILLIMAN climbed upon the table or ledge and attempted to kick the gun from the assailant's hand. WILLIMAN noted that RAFAEL JOHNSON came to assist in controlling the assailant. After the assailant was controlled, JESS UNRUH attempted to control some of the crowd and keep the crowd away from the area.

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WILLIMAN noted that a hotel bus boy also was in the group attempting to subdue the assailant, and WILLIMAN asked that he obtain a rope or cord to restrain the assailant. This employee obtained an electric light cord or something similar, but either ROOSEVELT GRIER or RAFAEL JOHNSON said they should not tie up the assailant but should hold him physically for the police. WILLIMAN then assisted in holding the assailant until the police arrived and took custody of him.

WILLIMAN said he did not get a good look at the assailant and mostly observed only the back of the assailant's head in the struggle and in holding him. WILLIMAN said, however, he could identify the assailant as being identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN from photographs which appeared in various news media following the assault.

WILLIMAN said he did not see SIRHAN prior to the shooting and did not witness the actual shooting. Following the shooting, WILLIMAN went to the Rampart Division of the Los Angeles Police Department where he related his observations in a taped interview.

WILLIMAN said SIRHAN put up a super human struggle to maintain possession of the gun and to escape from the grasp of his restrainers. WILLIMAN said that although he did not observe SIRHAN's face and expression, he received the impression that SIRHAN was not mentally berserk and apparently was in possession of his faculties.

WILLIMAN additionally noted that in the event someone describes him as being involved in the struggle, that he is 52 years of age, 5'5½" tall, 162 pounds, brown-greying hair, with brown horn-rimmed glasses. WILLIMAN said he was wearing a maroon sport coat, black slacks, white shirt, dark tie, and cordovan shoes.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/5/681

Mr. WARREN G. WILSON, 1966 Barnett Way, Los Angeles, California, employed as news broadcaster, Radio Station KFWB, 6419 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised as follows:

He was assigned as part of a three-man team by KFWB to cover the activities at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968. He did not witness the shooting and did not see SIRHAN. The other members of the KFWB news team were JOHN MARSHALL, announcer, and LOUIS GOLDBOWITZ, engineer.

WILSON said KFWB had signed-off the air following the completion of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's speech. WILSON said he was just behind the Senator during the speech and then returned to his news desk. When the activity behind the rostrum was noted, he attempted to get into that area but was kept out by security guards and also by the mass of people in the area which physically precluded his passage.

WILSON could furnish no pertinent information concerning this matter.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/20/68

On June 19, 1968, JIM WILSON, 14527 Barkwood Drive, Rockville, Maryland, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

WILSON stated he is a photographer and at the time of assassination was under contract for CBS. He was with Senator ROBERT KENNEDY in Oregon and California, carrying out his assignment with other members of his team. The other two members were JOHN W. LEWIS and BOB FUNK.

WILSON said, prior to the Senator's speech in Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, he had met with the Senator and BILL BARRY to discuss coverage of the speech. He asked permission of the two to let him precede them into the Embassy Room for filming purposes. Permission was granted and they left the Senator's room to ride the elevator downstairs. He missed the first elevator but got onto the second one. This elevator did not work so he ran down five flights of stairs and arrived in the Embassy Room before the Senator. He filmed the party entering the room and up to the stage. During the speech he stood on a chair on the stage and filmed the speech. After the speech was completed he filmed the Senator until he reached the curtains at back of stage then followed him. WILSON said the means of exit was of no surprise to him. He had no difficulty with the crowd at this time and followed the Senator and his party down the corridor. Near the swinging doors in corridor he heard the first shot but did not realize what it was. At the sound of the second shot BILL LEWIS said, "They are shooting." He said he did not recall seeing BILL BARRY or ETHEL KENNEDY at this time. WILSON stated there were approximately fifteen rows of people between the Senator and his crew when the shooting started but they moved over to the wall leaving an open aisle from him to the Senator who was on the floor. He moved forward filming to within five feet of the Senator's head and dropped to his knees. WILSON said

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he had approximately one hundred feet of film or three minutes left on his magazine and he used this. ETHEL KENNEDY came up to the Senator's side at this time screaming for people to move back. WILSON said he also started shoving and yelling for the people to move.

BILL LEWIS fought his way through the crowd to the Colonial Room, this location is correct to the best of his knowledge, for a fresh magazine of film. On returning, WILSON said he reloaded the camera but was so upset he could not continue his assignment. A friend, JERRY SIMS, Life Magazine, New York City, asked if he could help and WILSON gave him the camera to continue the filming.

WILSON said he and another person moved two laundry carts in front of the corridor which led to the elevator to block this entrance off. A few minutes later two Los Angeles policemen entered through this corridor and WILSON had to move the carts to allow them to enter. The only others who left or entered by this corridor were the ambulance attendants and then Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was removed on stretcher through the same corridor.

WILSON stated he stayed in the corridor approximately ten to fifteen minutes following the removal of Senator KENNEDY then went into the Ballroom and talked to WALTER DOMBROW of CBS. He was with him a short time and then went to his room at the Ambassador Hotel.

WILSON said that his crew was the only crew with Senator KENNEDY at time of shooting. The other newsmen that he could recall were BILL EPPRIDGE, Life Magazine, New York, and HENRY KOKOJAN, NBC, Washington, D. C., that were in the corridor during the shooting. He, at no time, saw SIRHAN either before, during or after the shooting. He said he could not recall seeing SIRHAN in Oregon but if he had it would not have registered. He said he could not recall seeing "the girl in the polka dot dress."

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WILSON stated he had heard and read, following the assassination, that Senator KENNEDY was heading to the Colonial Room to talk to the "pencil press" but to the best of his knowledge, the only thing in the room was equipment of the newsmen. He knew of no changes in plans or changes in departure route of Senator KENNEDY.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/25/68

Mr. JACK WINTERS, residing at 1322 Atlantic Drive, Compton, California, and employed as a security salesman for Investors Diversified Services, 4220 Long Beach Boulevard, Compton, was contacted at his residence at which time he was advised of the nature of the inquiry by SA WILLIAM D. HOSKINS. He advised as follows:

On the night of June 4, 1968, he, LLOYD B. WILKINS, and ENNIS WHALEY, went to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, arriving around 10:00 p.m., to attend the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY victory celebration. He said his group went directly to the Embassy Room where the victory speech was scheduled but were unable to get in as the hotel security guards would not admit anyone without a "press pass". He said they proceeded directly to the Ambassador Ballroom where they remained for the entire evening watching the proceeding on television monitors.

He recalled his first knowledge of KENNEDY being shot was when someone came into the room and said to switch the monitor to channel 2 as KENNEDY had been shot. He said he remained in the Ambassador Ballroom as there were so many excited people running around he felt it was wiser to remain where he was rather than try to go to the scene of the shooting.

He said he had seen numerous pictures of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the papers and on television but does not recall seeing him during his stay at the Ambassador Hotel.

He said he was unable to furnish any additional information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 28, 1968

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JULES J. WITCOVER, 2505 Fowlers Lane, Reston, Virginia, telephone number: 471-1539, advised he is employed as the Senior Correspondent by Newhouse National News Service, Washington, D. C. He related he followed the ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign both in Oregon and California. WITCOVER related he was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California on the night of June 4 - 5, 1968, when ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated.

WITCOVER informed that he had congratulated him on his victory when he came into the area of the hotel where he was located and had followed KENNEDY to the platform in the Embassy Room of the hotel. When KENNEDY finished speaking, he passed through the corridor the same way that KENNEDY had come into the Embassy Room. FRED DUTTON or RICHARD GRAHAM, aides to KENNEDY, had advised him that a press conference was to be held immediately after in the Colonial Room and thus he presumed that KENNEDY would be going to the Colonial Room via the kitchen, through which he had come to enter the Embassy Room. WITCOVER stated that access to the Colonial Room and the Embassy Room could be gotten by going through the kitchen. WITCOVER stated that when KENNEDY left the platform in the Embassy Room he was approximately thirty feet ahead of KENNEDY going down the corridor which was ten to twelve feet wide and he noted that two women were sitting in this corridor. They were sitting in chairs on the right side. He believed these women were with the KENNEDY party and possibly wives of some of the aides and he based this upon the fact that they were very casually dressed and definitely not actively working for the KENNEDY campaign as they were not visibly excited at the particular time. WITCOVER stated he then came to a passage way about six feet wide. At no time did he see anyone other than these two women in the corridor. He stated he had almost reached the doors into the kitchen when he heard a shot. He first was unimpressed and thought it was a firecracker and then he heard rapid firing, at least four or five shots. He informed he could not be positive that there

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were four or five shots, or more. He informed that there was a definite pause between the first shot and the subsequent shots. WITCOVER stated that he turned around and first noted ROOSEVELT GRIER and others whom he did not immediately identify. He advised he did not notice the suspect immediately as there was a lot of pushing in one area. He did notice an individual with his hand in the air and there was a gun in this hand. He advised he is not certain at this time in which hand the gun was, but he believed it was in the right hand.

WITCOVER informed that he did not see KENNEDY on the floor immediately as there were three or four people around him. He stated there was no crowd at that particular time. He advised that he noticed blood on KENNEDY's head and his hand and that his mouth and eyes were open. He thought that KENNEDY had been shot in the head and stomach, inasmuch as the hand on his stomach had blood on it. He noticed that KENNEDY at this point was still alive.

WITCOVER informed that he then turned around and noted a scuffle was continuing with the suspect and now ROOSEVELT GRIER and ~~RAFER~~ JOHNSON and others were holding the suspect. Present at this point were yells, "Get the gun, kill him, don't kill him," and the scene was complete pandemonium.

He informed that there were no police or doctors for approximately fifteen minutes and it was his thought that it took approximately five minutes to get the gun from the suspect.

He noticed that GRIER had a headlock on the suspect and that they had finally succeeded in removing the suspect down the corridor away from KENNEDY.

He related that photographers were all around KENNEDY at this time taking photographs and finally the aides came and pushed the photographers out of the way,

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however, the photographers continued to take photographs. Mrs. ROBERT F. KENNEDY came several minutes later, knelt down beside her husband and said something to him or was praying. She finally got up and asked the photographers to leave and then knelt back down by her husband. Shortly thereafter, a security police came, took his gun out and then WILLIAM BARRY, an aide to the KENNEDY campaign, told this man to put his gun away. This man then went to the area where the suspect was. Finally, about one half dozen Los Angeles police officers came into the area and relieved GREER of the suspect and took him away. Shortly thereafter, an attendant came, placed KENNEDY on a stretcher, and he was taken out of the area and put into an ambulance. WILLIAM BARRY and Mrs. KENNEDY accompanied KENNEDY in the ambulance.

WITCOVER informed that after KENNEDY was taken out, he stood in the room, observed the room, and went to the press room to write his story.

WITCOVER stated that at one time he noted that they had moved the suspect down to the end of the table, and heard the suspect say, "My leg, my leg."

He described the gun as being a snubnose revolver.

WITCOVER stated that he did not see anyone else on the floor initially, however, all attention was focused on KENNEDY, but then noticed another individual on the floor who was wearing a press badge. He later found out that this person was PAUL SCHRADER.

WITCOVER stated in reconstructing the matter that when he left the platform he had a clear passage way before him, although there were two women sitting in chairs on the right side of the corridor and when he turned around, he also had a clear passage back to the group of individuals. He stated he believed he was immediately ahead of KENNEDY when proceeding through the corridor. He stated that he was concerned with getting to the Colonial Room which was to be used for the press conference, inasmuch as he was interested in getting the best possible story.

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WITCOVER stated that another reporter, ROBERT HEALY, The Boston Globe political editor, wrote a story stating he was coming through the door at the time of the shooting, however, WITCOVER informed that he has no recollection of HEALY being in that position.

WITCOVER stated that others that were in the area as he recalls were RICHARD TUCK, a KENNEDY advance man; RICHARD DRAYNE, a KENNEDY press man actually Senator EDWARD KENNEDY's press man; HUGH McDONALD another KENNEDY press man; PAUL HOPE, a reporter for the Washington Star; JIMMY BRESLIN for the New York Post; VIRGINIA GOI of Flair Magazine; and WARREN ROGERS, The Washington editor of Look Magazine. Also noted was JESSE UNRUH, a democratic leader in California.

WITCOVER stated that when he noticed the suspect he recalls thinking he was a member of the kitchen staff. He recalled this man was short of stature, ^{dark} with dark complexion, dark eyes and hair, was wearing a blue denim shirt and tan pants.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/11/68

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KRISTI WITKER, 116 East 91st Street, advised that she is an Associate Editor, American Heritage Publishing Company, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York City. KRISTI WITKER stated that she has been assigned to cover Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's campaign during different periods of time. She said that she covered the campaigns of Senator KENNEDY during the Pennsylvania, Indiana, West Virginia and California campaigns.

WITKER related that she was assigned to cover the California campaign of Senator KENNEDY from May 29, 1968 through June 6, 1968. She said at no time can she recall ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN on this tour.

WITKER said that on the evening of June 4, 1968, she was in Senator KENNEDY's Fifth Floor Suite from approximately 4:00 pm til 7:30 pm. She said that she went down to the Ambassador Room from approximately 7:30 pm till 8:30 pm. WITKER said this was to observe what was going on and to see what she would have to put up with at a later time. She said that she returned to the fifth floor suite of KENNEDY and remained there until 11:45 pm. WITKER said that at 11:45 pm Senator KENNEDY and his aides departed from the fifth floor suite to go to the Ambassador Room to make his victory speech. She said it was so crowded and there was no much confusion on the Fifth Floor that she and VIRGINIA GUY, of Flare Magazine, did not attempt to get on the elevator and used the stairs. WITKER said that she and GUY entered the Ambassador Room through the main entrance after being checked by the police. WITKER said that she arrived near the lectern at the same time Senator KENNEDY and his aides arrived by the way of the side entrance and/or the entrance near the kitchen.

WITKER said that after Senator KENNEDY completed his victory speech it appeared that he was going to depart from the Ambassador Room to go to the Colonial Room but he conversed with BILL BARRY and then left through the side

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entrance, the same entrance through which they had entered. She said that the crowd was pushing as Senator KENNEDY was departing the Ambassador Room through the side entrance.

Soon after the crowd entered the passageway outside of the Ambassador Room the shooting incident took place. She said that she was approximately six to eight feet away from Senator KENNEDY when he was shot but did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN shoot anyone. WITKER said that PAUL SCHRADE fell in front a little to her left after he was shot. She said that she did see a number of individuals restrain SIRHAN SIRHAN immediately after the shots were fired.

WITKER said that the security was relaxed when she went to the Ambassador Room and the Colonial Room between 7:30 pm and 8:30 pm as anyone could enter and leave both rooms without being challenged. She further stated that she was unaware of any plans being changed by Senator KENNEDY regarding making his victory speech prior to talking to the press.

WITKER said that the individual who would know of all plans regarding Senator KENNEDY's itinerary would be a close associate and personal friend of the KENNEDYS, HAYES GOREY, with the New York Times Washington Bureau. She said that GOREY had in the past informed her and other members of the press what they could expect during Senator KENNEDY's campaign.

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SYLVIA WRIGHT was interviewed in Room 3003, Time and Life Building, Rockefeller Center, New York, New York. She stated that she is employed as a writer for "Life Magazine" and that she resides at 42-10 Colden Street, Flushing, Queens.

WRIGHT stated that she travelled continuously as a writer for "Life Magazine" with Senator ROBERT KENNEDY during his campaign to seek the Democratic Party Presidential nomination from March 14, 1968 through June 5, 1968, other than two weekends and four other days. She was acting as a writer on June 4-5, 1968, in Los Angeles, California. She stated that during the entire period of Senator KENNEDY's campaign, she never observed SIRHAN SIRHAN.

WRIGHT stated that Senator KENNEDY always spoke to the press after he had made his speech to his supporters and volunteers of his campaign. She said that she did not know of any planned route Senator KENNEDY was to make from the Ambassador Room to the Colonial Room or visa versa. She said that it was generally known that Senator KENNEDY in the spur of a moment, would change the route cleared or suggested by members of his staff. WRIGHT stated that Senator KENNEDY had, on several different occasions, detained his staff to meet, shake hands and converse with individuals along his route while campaigning.

WRIGHT stated that she had telephonically contacted the Rocket Messenger Service in the afternoon on June 4, 1968, and requested a messenger to be available at the Ambassador Hotel. She said this messenger was to deliver the film taken that day by BILL EPPERIDGE, photographer for "Life Magazine", regarding the events at the Ambassador Hotel. The film was to be taken to headquarters. She said for some unknown reason she thought that Senator KENNEDY's victory speech would be at approximately 8:00 pm and for this reason requested that the messenger from Rocket Messenger Service report to the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 6:30 pm.

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She said that at approximately 7:00 pm, when she first saw the messenger from Rocket Messenger Service, the messenger informed her that he had had no supper. She furnished him with a blue press identification card so that he could enter the Ambassador Hotel later that evening. WRIGHT said that she returned to her room, 348, at the Ambassador Hotel at which time she observed the messenger attempting to enter a room across the hall from her room. She remarked to the messenger "I thought you wanted to eat." The messenger replied, "It's too crowded". WRIGHT said that the messenger appeared to be familiar and knew his way around the hotel as it would be difficult for a person to leave the Colonial Room and get to the 3rd floor in the area of Room 348 in that short period of time.

WRIGHT said that she went to her room to change to a dress from a suit because it was too warm for a suit. She also picked up the envelope for the film of EPPRIDGE to be placed in for the messenger. She said that shortly afterward she joined the KENNEDY staff members and close friends in the suite on the fifth floor.

WRIGHT stated she gave the messenger the film at approximately 9:15 pm to be delivered to the airport and to be sent on a flight at 10:00 pm. She informed the messenger to return to the Colonial Room for another delivery to the airport after Senator KENNEDY's speech. WRIGHT said that the messenger appeared to be very excited and wanted to know would he get to see Senator KENNEDY. She said that she did not give the messenger any answer. WRIGHT stated that she did not see the messenger again until after Senator KENNEDY was shot.

WRIGHT said that DICK HARWOOD, of the Washington Post, informed her at approximately 10:00 pm that Senator KENNEDY had just informed him that after his, KENNEDY's speech, a party was to be held at the "Factory" a discotheque, for the traveling press and close friends of the KENNEDY staff. She said HARWOOD told her that he was requested by Senator KENNEDY to inform the traveling press of the party.

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At approximately 11:00 pm on June 4, 1968, she went down to the Ambassador Room to locate CHARLES EVERS, as Senator KENNEDY had previously requested her to do so. She said she went down and located CHARLES EVERS in the Ambassador Room and they returned to the KENNEDY suite on the 5th floor. She said that as Senator KENNEDY departed from the 5th floor suite to proceed to the Ambassador Room to deliver his speech she escorted Senator KENNEDY to the elevator. KENNEDY pulled her head to his and whispered, "Don't go to the Ambassador Room as there will be a lot of commotion during my victory speech." WRIGHT also said that Senator KENNEDY asked her if she was going to join the party at the "Factory." She said she informed Senator KENNEDY that she thought she would join the party.

WRIGHT said that she watched Senator KENNEDY deliver his victory speech on television and near the completion left the suite by the way of the stairs to go to the Colonial Room. She said when she got to the Colonial Room the doors were closed and she was denied entry until the police officers checked her credentials. WRIGHT stated it appeared that Senator KENNEDY had been shot as she descended the stairs.

Upon entering the Colonial Room through the main entrance she observed the messenger at an exit of the Colonial Room nearest to the one that Senator KENNEDY appeared to be heading for prior to his being shot. She went to that exit and looked into the passageway where the Senator and the other individuals had been shot.

WRIGHT stated that at approximately 12:30 am on June 5, 1968, she signed the receipt requested by the messenger in the Colonial Room which covered the period of time the service of the messenger was used. She said she also obtained the receipt from the messenger regarding his delivery of the film she had given him at approximately 9:15 pm on June 4, 1968.

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WRIGHT described the messenger as a skinny, well-tanned white male, who was approximately 45 years of age with grey hair. She said that is all she can recall of the events that took place on the evening, night and early morning of June 5 and 4, 1968.

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BACKGROUND CONCERNING SIRHAN FAMILY

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On June 26, 1968, FBI Headquarters, Washington, D.C., made available published reports of interviews of BISHARA SIRHAN, father of SIRHAN SIRHAN, which had been furnished by the Department of State.

These published reports are set out as follows:

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Enclosure No. 1Text of ad-Difaa article, June 17, 1968

SIRHAN'S FATHER IN AMMAN: A TALK TO "AD DIFAA" AT MIDNIGHT

At 2:00 p.m. yesterday, ad-Difaa learned that Mr. Bishara Sirhan, father of Sirhan Sirhan, accused of assassinating Senator Robert Kennedy, arrived in Amman from the West Bank on a permit issued by the occupation authorities. It is said that Mr. Sirhan has come to Amman to clear up certain financial matters in preparation for his departure for America. Until 10:00 p.m. ad-Difaa searched high and low for him. In what hotel was he staying? In whose house was he a guest? At last, we found him at the Hotel Continental. Our reporter, Salah Abd as-Samad, who spent over two hours with Mr. Bishara Sirhan, wrote the following interview.

Bishara Sirhan was sitting calmly and talking confidently. You could detect in his tone parental emotions. The 52-year old man said, "The murder of Senator Kennedy saddened me because he was from the Kennedy family, but the picture has a second face..."

"Which...?"

"The political face..for the Senator was also an American politician, so on this I have a view to express."

"Please..."

"I believe that the imbalance in Senator Kennedy's speeches while electioneering for the Presidency was the primary cause of what happened."

"How..?"

"He was promising certain parties to supply them with arms and aircraft with full awareness of the consequences of that promise. Its consequences would be more displacement of children, more orphans and more widows. This is in addition to the degradation of and contempt for the Arabs in his speeches, a thing that made my son Sirhan feel insulted in that society where Senator Kennedy was speaking. And this is what pushed my son to act as he did. Had the late Senator been reserved and merely called for peace in the Middle East, nothing would have happened."

"Are you furious with Sirhan?"

"In the first moments after I learned of the incident I was furious."

"And now?"

"My heart and mind are now with him. I believe that world opinion and human conscience will stand by him."

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"Why?"

"Because he is a man of good character by the testimony of his university teachers and friends. He is also a fervent Arab in every drop of his blood."

"What was the position of the Israeli authorities toward you?"

"At 4:30 a.m. of the day following the news, an Israeli military car parked in front of my house. I was then taken to the Military Governor's office in Ramallah. An Israeli officer asked about my life, that of Sirhan, and the family..."

"And the Israeli intelligence agency?"

"It also interrogated me and wrote down information similar to that which I gave at the Governor's office."

"And what is the latest news about Sirhan?"

"I learned that he told the investigators he refuses to be tried in the USA, and wants to be tried elsewhere."

"What is his pretext for that?"

"He is not American. I am not either. None of my sons got naturalized."

"What else?"

"Two Lebanese lawyers and a Swedish lawyer have volunteered to defend my son."

"What do you imagine will be the sentence against Sirhan?"

"I believe there are in the world people of free conscience. I believe world public opinion will be on my son's side because Sirhan was a model boy and did not commit his action except to prevent further tragedy and further displacement of children from their homes. Sirhan imagined that Senator Kennedy would add to those tragedies. For all that, I hope that people of conscience in the whole world will stand by my son."

"I only wish the Los Angeles Court, and the American people and members of the Kennedy family would imitate me..."

"In what?"

"In my toleration. My son Munir was killed in Jerusalem in 1946 after a car ran over him. But I pardoned the culprit and gave up my rights, even the amount given to me as compensation, 500 dinars. I donated it to mosques and churches and to the poor. I only hope that toleration will be observed by all during the trial of Sirhan."

"Did you do anything to explain your views in defense of Sirhan?"

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"Yes, I sent appeals to President Johnson, the Pope and to U Thant. I appealed to them to work for peace in the Middle East and Vietnam so that the tragedy of Sirhan and Robert Kennedy would not be repeated."

"When do you leave for America to attend the trial?"

"I am studying the matter from all angles, including the financial one and the question of my safety while there."

"That means you are afraid?"

"No. I am not afraid. The matter really requires careful study."

"Your style of talking indicates you are a lawyer?"

"I am a mechanic. The credit for that belongs to the holy books: the Quran, the New Testament and the Old Testament. I studied them all and have them in my house side by side."

"And if I request you to offer a last opinion in this interview...?"

"I say I hope the Arabs will unite."

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Enclosure No. 2Excerpts from ad-Dustour's Interview with Sirhan

(1) "Bishara Sirhan, 52, is the father of five children and was in charge of a water section under the British Mandate Government in Palestine until 1948. He then came to Amman and worked on various water and mechanics projects until 1957 when he emigrated to the United States with his five children, Sharif, Sa'dallah, Adel, Sirhan, and Munir. Three years ago, he returned alone to his native town, Tayybeh, in the Ramallah area."

(2) "At dawn on June sixth while still asleep, I felt heavy footsteps on the stairs of my house. I awoke and heard the 'moukhtar' (elder) of the village, Fayez Ma'addi, knocking and saying, 'Open the door, Abu Sharif. Don't be afraid. It's Fayez.' I opened the door and Fayez entered with two Israeli soldiers and three civilians, one of whom began to question me in English, which I know well, about my identity and the history of my family and my son, Sirhan. I asked, 'why all these questions?' He answered that he was a correspondent of the NEW YORK TIMES and said, 'Did you hear about Robert Kennedy?' 'Yes,' I said, 'yesterday I heard that someone fired at him in Los Angeles.' The reporter then said, 'Didn't you know it was your son Sirhan who shot him?' I said, 'What do you say? My son killed Kennedy? I think that most unlikely.' When he affirmed the news to me, it was a violent shock. I was furious and sad. The reporter asked, 'what is your opinion on the matter? Do you know anything?' I answered, 'here I am asleep in Tayybeh, a village over 12,000 miles from Los Angeles. Of course I do not know anything. It is an unpleasant, stunning, shocking surprise.' The reporter asked, 'what is your feeling?' I replied, 'If the report is correct, I am sorry for Kennedy and deeply regret the incident and am grieved that this has happened to my son.'"

(3) "As I said before, there is no enmity between the Kennedy and Sirhan families. I want both Arab and American opinion to listen to this statement. Senator Kennedy had two personalities: first, he was a member of the American Kennedy family; second, he was a great American statesman. On the personal level, I am grieved by his death and shall continue to be so. As for Robert Kennedy the politician, that is a different matter. He stated time after time that he wanted certain nations to get stronger and certain nations to get weaker. This, in my opinion, was a great error. I believe thoughtful men all over the world will agree. As a statesman, Kennedy ought to have been balanced in his statements and speeches and ought to have avoided saying things liable to kindle hatred in the Middle East. As a statesman he ought to have supported peace, right and justice in the Middle East without favoring Israel."

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(4) "I still believe my son is innocent despite the accusations. But even if we suppose he did it, we must examine the motives and reasons that led him to such an act. His love for his homeland and religion must have overcome everything else and incited him to act. I do not support violence or political assassination. But Kennedy was rash in his statements. I say also that the conscience of America, and its courts, and world public opinion will stand by Sirhan."

(5) "Sirhan has seen destruction and death in his own country, which last suffered war in 1967. In spite of the fact that Sirhan left for America in 1957, and lived over ten years in American society, his religion and homeland were constantly on his mind. The late Senator Kennedy was the man who lit the fuse of the mine inside my son Sirhan."

(6) "What is the program of your visit to Jordan?"

"I arrived in Amman today with a one week permit. I want to see to my account in Intra Bank, where I had some money before June 1967. After that I will return to Tayybeh."

"Do you want to go to the United States?"

"I am considering the matter in detail. I intend to hire lawyers to defend my son, but have not yet decided whether I personally will go to America to be with Sirhan during his trial."

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On June 5, 1968, the Washington Field Office of the FBI made available one copy each of the visa file of SHAREEF SIRHAN and SAIDALLAH SIRHAN which was obtained from the Visa Office, United States Department of State, on June 5, 1968.

Copies of these visa files are set out as follows:

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OFFICE OF SECURITY

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DATE: June 6, 1968

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Mr. Bernard C. Rachner

FROM : Chief, Division of Protective Security

SUBJECT: Transmittal Notice

The attached material, which is described below, is transmitted for your information and retention.

Status of Special Non-Quota Visa Application regarding SIRHAN, Shareef, and SIRHAN, Saidallah.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
STATUS OF SPECIAL NONQUOTA VISA APPLICATION

NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) SIRHAN Shareef			SEX M
MAIDEN NAME		ALIAS	
DATE OF BIRTH 	PLACE OF BIRTH Jerusalem, Palestine		
DEPARTMENTAL SELECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS			
	APPROVE	REJECT	DEFER
1.	<i>@ 12/3 10/5 12/15</i>		
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REMARKS <i>Parents in US</i>			
COMMITTEE DECISION APPROVED		DATE DEC 21 1959	
DATE POST NOTIFIED DEC 21 1959		LEAD SHEET REQUESTED ☐ YES ☐ NO	
FINAL DECISION IF DEFERRED		POST NOTIFIED	
RECORD CHECKS:			
DATE LEAD SHEET RECEIVED	CHECKS MADE: RM/R _____ RSC _____ SY _____ FBI _____ VO _____ IRP _____ CIA _____ INS _____		
RESULTS ☐ NEGATIVE ☒ POSITIVE		DATE POST NOTIFIED	
VISA NUMBER ASSIGNED 6251		DATE DEC 21 1959	
MONTH VISA ISSUED	REFUSED	VISA NUMBER RETURNED	

TO: The Department of State

Date: Nov. 28, 1958

FROM: Amembassy, Amman, Jordan (or Amconsul)

SUBJECT: REFUGES AND ESCAPEES: Summary of Application for Visa under Section 15 (a) (3) of Public Law 85-316

REF: Department's Circular Instruction No. CA-2927, September 26, 1957.

Name of Applicant	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex
Alias: SIRHAN, Shareef	[REDACTED]	Jerusalem, Pal.	male
Persons accompanying:			
Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Relationship to Applicant

Was at school in 1948 when owing to Arab/Israeli conflict fled and took refuge in Jerusalem, Old City where he is still living. Since that time he is unemployed.

Members of family not accompanying:

Name

Date of Birth

Place of Birth

Relationship to Applicant

Circumstances of escape: [REDACTED]

Applicant lived in the New City of Jerusalem till 1948 when the Palestine conflict started. As the Jordanian and Israeli troops were fighting each other for the occupation of the City he fled under bombardment and took refuge in the Old City.

Elements of hardship:

Applicant lost his home and belongings in Palestine as a result of the Arab/Israeli conflict. In Jordan he was unable to continue his studies and had to leave his school and look for employment in order to earn his living. But owing to lack of work in Jordan he has been unable to find a decent job and could not therefore resettle in a normal life. His desire is to join his parents, sisters and brothers who immigrated to USA in 1956 under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953.

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[REDACTED]

Applicant fled from the New City of Jerusalem for fear of persecution by the Jews because of race and religion. He cannot return to his home in Israel even if he wanted to and can claim no compensation for what he has lost there.

Although he is not likely to be persecuted in Jordan yet he may not be able to resettle in Jordan and will be dependent of UNRWA's assistance for many years to come.

Effect on welfare of U.S. if applicant admitted:

Mr. Sirhan is a well-educated, intelligent young man who can speak enough English to make himself understood. Although he has no proper skill yet he should be able to find some employment in an Office or a Factory with which he could earn his living and become self-supporting.

His parents, brothers and sisters immigrated to USA in 1956 under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 and are eager to have him join them.

We strongly recommend that this young man be given the chance to join his parents under the present Public Law as otherwise he will have to wait for many, many years before his turn on the Israeli quota is reached.

A CWS assurance was provided for him under RRA 1953 but this was received too late to allow the US Consul process the case under that Act.

Ruth M. Black

Submitted by: Ruth M. Black
World Council of Churches
Beirut-Lebanon.
Oct. 14, 1958.

Observations of consular officer, where appropriate:

Mr. Sirhan is applying, together with his brother, Saidallah Sirhan, (Amman Case No. 194) for consideration as a refugee-escapee. Both he and his brother are holders of a current U.N.R.W.A. ration card. His parents and all other members of his immediate family are residing in the United States. They were issued visas as Palestinian refugees in 1956, under the provisions of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, and are "anxious" to have the remaining two members of the family join them in the United States. Mr. Sirhan has been working as an auditor and knows a fair amount of English.

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Lambert Heyniger
American Vice Consul

LH:nm

1. Full Name SHARIF BISHARA SALAMEH Ghattas SIRHAN
(First) (Middle) (Last) (Nee)
2. Other Names Used NONE
3. Last permanent address, C/o. P.O. Box: 33, Amman, AMMAN JORDAN
(Street) (Town or City) (Province) (Country)
4. Place and Date of Birth Jerusalem, Palestine. PII
(Town or City) (Province) (Country) (Date)
5. Address of my final destination in U.S. Mrs. Mary SIRHAN, 1647 Apt.,
N. Lake Ave., Pasadena 6, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.
6. Name of Voluntary Agency, if any Mr. Haldor LILLENAS, 1945 E. Mountain
Str., Pasadena 7, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.
7. Present mailing address C/o. P.O. Box: 33, Amman, JORDAN.
Telephone No. _____
8. Physical Description: a. Color of hair Black b. Color of eyes Dark Brown.
c. Complexion Wheaty d. Height 165 Cts. in. e. Weight 55 Kgs. lbs.
f. Race Semetic g. Sex Male h. Identification Marks NONE
9. Nationality JORDANIAN. 10. Former Nationality, if any PALESTINIAN
11. Ethnic classification White.
12. Religious affiliation, if any. (You may state here your religious affiliation, if any, but you are not required to make this statement) Christian.
13. Marital Status: ~~Married~~ ☐ Single ☒ ~~Widowed~~ ☐ ~~Divorced~~ ☐
Separated ☐
14. Accompanying members of family: NONE.
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15. Present address of persons specified under Item 14 _____

16. Name, address, date and place of birth of father Mr. Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, Et-Taibe, Ramallah District, (PALESTINE) JORDAN

Name, address, date and place of birth of mother Mrs. Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, January 3rd., 1913, Jerusalem (PALESTINE) JORDAN.

17. If neither parent is living, name and address of next of kin _____

18. Places of residence during past 15 yrs; indicate exact address & dates of each.
Khalidi's House, near the Ex. Palestine Broadcasting House, St. Paul Street, New Jerusalem, PALESTINE till the termination of the British Mandatory Regime, then in the Armenian Quarter, Old City, Jerusalem till Dec 1954, then in Amman since the beginning of 1955 up till the present time.

19. List below the names of all parties, organizations, associations, societies, fraternal or political, of which you are or have been a member, or with which you are or have been affiliated, including dates thereof, and any position held in connection therewith NONE.

20. Have you ever been: In an almshouse? NO Arrested? NO Convicted? NO

In prison? NO The beneficiary of a pardon or amnesty? NO If so, specify in detail _____

21. Criminal Record, if any: I have no any bad record whatever, wherever.

Date of Arrest	Place of Arrest	Cause of Arrest	Disposition
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22. Have you ever applied to any American Consular Officer, either formally or informally, for a visa or other documentation as an immigrant or non-immigrant? (If so, state when, where, and whether for immigrant or non-immigrant visa)

My father has applied to the United States Embassy at Amman, JORDA for my registration, at on May 31st, 1955, under Refugees Quota, for an Immigration Visa for the U.S.A.

23. Have you ever been in the United States? (If so, indicate port of entry, period or periods of stay, and address or addresses) Never

Have you ever been removed at government expense, excluded, or deported from the United States? ☐ Yes ☒ Never No

24. Education: Indicate satisfactory completion of: Elementary School High School College or University NO

Give name and Location of High School attended: Jerusalem, till the expiration of the British Mandate.

Name & Location of College or University, Major Study Dates Attended, Degrees

25. Languages:	(Read)	(Speak)	(Understand)
	English	English	English
	Arabic	Arabic	Arabic.

26. Military Service: NEVER.

(Unit)	(Rank)	(Serial Number)	(Length of Service)

27. Were you ever a Prisoner of War? ☐ Yes ☒ Never No (Give Date and Place of internment, Internment number, and reported nearest of kin)

28. Have you ever been interned in a forced Labor Camp? ☐ Yes ☒ Never No (Give date, place, and period of internment)

29. Place and date of entry into country of present residence: From New Jerusalem to Old City Jerusalem, during May 10th., 1948.

30. If in possession of a passport or other travel document, indicate government, date and place of issue, and expiration date thereof Jordan Passport No. 109809. Given by the competent Authority at Jerusalem, on April 5th, 1955.

31. Have you ever been questioned by any agency since your departure from your previous place of residence? If so, state place, date, and name of agency: Never

32. Indicate travel during last 15 years showing countries visited, indicate (if possible) addresses, and purpose of such travel. Never proceeded abroad.

33. Indicate local authority where registered; if not registered, explain: U.N.R.W.A., P.R., under Ration Card No. 1913/142013/14250/802 Jerusalem Area.

34. Have you ever applied for and been denied admission into any country? If so, explain: Never.

35. Are you in urgent need of assistance for food, shelter, clothing or medical care? NO.

36. Indicate means of livelihood, including income from business interests, if any: U.N.R.W.A.'s rations.

37. Have you had an opportunity to return to your former home and, if so, why did you decline to return? Never.

38. Are you permitted to work and do you enjoy equal political and economic rights or privileges in the country of your present residence? Yes, but I am unemployed.

39. Upon what conditions were you admitted into the country or area of your present residence? No conditions.

40. If you are the bearer of a temporary residence or work permit, how often must it be renewed or extended? No

41. Have you acquired a new nationality since leaving your former home? If so, give details: Automatically the J^ordanian Nationality.

42. Antecedents emigrated from or were natives of what country? They were natives of Palestine.

43. What language or dialect is used as the common language of your home or for social communication? Both Arabic and English languages.

44. What was the nature of the persecution or fear of persecution, if any, which caused you to flee or escape from your former home and which caused your inability to return? Armed Jewish Occupation.

45. What was the nature of the natural calamity or military operations, if any, which caused you to leave your former home, and which caused your inability to return? Armed Jewish expansion and occupation.

46. Give names, relationship, and addresses of five (5) persons residing in the free world who know you personally

- 1) Mr. Tewfic Aranki, Engineer, Jerusalem-Amman.
- 2) Hanna Hadawwar, Carpenter, Jerusalem.
- 3) Abu Mas'oud El-Bituni, Bakery Keeper, Jerusalem.
- 4) MR. NAZIM RAGHAWA, MERCHANT, AMMAN.
- 5) MR. FUAD ABU-ZEID, " " "

47. Have you or any member of your family ever been afflicted with a mental disease or mental defect? If so, were you or any member of your family ever treated in a mental institution? Never.

48. Have you or any member of your family ever had tuberculosis? Never
Never. leprosy? Never. or epilepsy? Never

49. Have you ever had any serious or prolonged illness? Never.

50. Do you now have any illness or disease for which you are being treated? Never.

51. Do you have any physical defect or disability? Never.

52. Check status: Professional Yes Skilled Farmer Other Auditing and
Accountancy. (List)

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Years of Experience</u>	<u>Amount of Training</u>
(Main) <u>Auditing</u>	<u>In school, only.</u>	
(Other) <u>Accountancy</u>	<u>" " "</u>	
(Other) <u>None.</u>		

53. Description of work, labor or services performed in the last 15 years: Unemployed.

54. Summary of Employment History from your 14th year (indicate main work activities, name of employer, address and duration of each employment):

Unemployed

55. Are you physically able to perform: Your Main occupation? Yes
Your Secondary occupation(s)?

56. Professional, Technical, Scientific: Scientific

What is your main occupation? Auditing

Are you now or have you ever been a licensed or certified member of any trade, association, or profession? Never

Indicate which:

List any other special awards None.

Distinguished honors None.

Other information: (include special studies or research performed, list your more important publications, your patents or inventions, membership in professional and scientific societies, public speaking or public relations, etc.)

None except my theoretical studies

in Auditing and Accountancy.

I certify that the answers to the foregoing questions are true & correct.

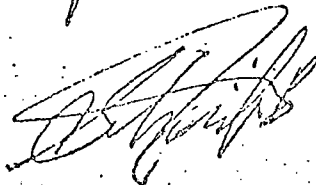
November 24th, 1958.

(Date)

(Signature of Applicant)

Sharif Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIR

Sharif Bishara Salameh Ghattas



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
STATUS OF SPECIAL NONQUOTA VISA APPLICATION

CASE NO. 10,592

NAME (Last)		(First)		(Middle)		SEX
SIRHAN		Saidallah				M
MAIDEN NAME				ALIAS		
DATE OF BIRTH		PLACE OF BIRTH				
		Jerusalem, Palestine				
DEPARTMENTAL SELECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:						
	APPROVE		REJECT		DEFER	
1.	Q 12/7					
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3.	ES 12/15					
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REMARKS						
Parents in US						
COMMITTEE DECISION				APPROVED		DATE
						DEC 21 1959
DATE POST NOTIFIED				DEC 21 1959		LEAD SHEET REQUESTED
						☐ YES ☐ NO
FINAL DECISION IF DEFERRED				POST NOTIFIED		
RECORD CHECKS:						
DATE LEAD SHEET RECEIVED		CHECKS MADE:				
		RM/R _____ RSC _____ SY _____ FBI _____				
		VO _____ IRP _____ CIA _____ INS _____				
RESULTS					DATE POST NOTIFIED	
☐ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE						
VISA NUMBER ASSIGNED					DATE	
6252					DEC 21 1959	
MONTH VISA ISSUED		REFUSED			VISA NUMBER RETURNED	

TO: The Department of State
 FROM: Embassy, Amman, Jordan (or Amconsol)
 Date: Nov. 28, 1957
 SUBJECT: REFUGEES AND ESCAPEES: Summary of Application for Visa under Section 15 (a) (5) of Public Law 85-316
 REF: Department's Circular Instruction No. CA-2927, September 26, 1957.

Name of Applicant	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex
Alias: SIRHAN, Saidallah		Jerusalem, Pal.	male

Persons accompanying:

Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Relationship to Applicant

Was at school in 1948 when owing to Arab/Israeli conflict fled and took refuge in Jerusalem, Old City where he is still living. Since that time he is unemployed.

not to consider the moving of him young and that he would be given the chance to work in the United States as a result of the present situation and at a young age he is not yet 20 years old.

Members of family not accompanying:

Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Relationship to Applicant

Circumstances of escape:

Applicant lived in the New City of Jerusalem till 1948 when the Palestine conflict started. As the Jordanian and Israeli troops were fighting each other for the occupation of the City he fled under bombardment and took refuge in the Old City.

Elements of hardship:

Applicant lost his home and belongings in Palestine as a result of the Arab/Israeli conflict. In Jordan he was unable to continue his studies and had to leave his school and look for employment in order to earn his living. But owing to lack of work in Jordan he has been unable to find a decent job and could not therefore resettle in a normal life. His desire is to join his parents, sisters and brothers who immigrated to USA in 1956 under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953.

Elements of persecut

Applicant fled from the New City of Jerusalem for fear of persecution by the Jews because of race and religion. He cannot return to his home in Israel even if he wanted to and can claim no compensation for what he has lost there.

Although he is not likely to be persecuted in Jordan yet he may not be able to resettle in Jordan and will be dependent of UNRWA's assistance for many years to come.

Effect on welfare of U.S. if applicant admitted:

Mr. Sirhan has had elementary education and can only speak little English. However he is willing to do any job in order to earn his living and become self-supporting.

His parents, brothers and sisters immigrated to USA in 1956 under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 and are eager to have him join them.

We strongly recommend that this young man be given the chance to join his parents under the present Public Law as otherwise he will have to wait for many, many years before his turn on the Israeli quota is reached.

A CWS assurance was provided for him under RRA 1953 but this was received too late to allow the US Consul process the case under that Act.

Submitted by:

Ruth M. Flack

World Council of Churches

Oct. 14, 1958.

Beirut-Lebanon

Observations of consular officer, where appropriate: on 11 Nov 1958
Amman, Jordan, Nov. 28, 1958

Mr. Saidallah Sirhan is registered on the Israeli non-preference quota waiting list of intending immigrants as of June 9, 1957. Both he and his brother, Shareef Sirhan, are holders of a current U.N.R.W.A. ration card. His brother, Shareef, is also applying as a refugee-escapee (Amman Case No. 193) of Mr. Sirhan's parents and all other immediate family members, except brother Shareef, are residing in the United States. They immigrated in 1956 as Palestinian refugees. Mr. Sirhan is a housepainter by profession and knows some English.

L. H. Reyniger
American Vice Consul

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15. Present address of persons specified under Item 14

16. Name, address, date and place of birth of father Mr. Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, [redacted] Et-Taibe, Ramallah District (PALESTINE), PII JORDAN.

Name, address, date and place of birth of mother Mrs. Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, [redacted] Jerusalem, (PALESTINE) JORDAN. PII

17. If neither parent is living, name and address of next of kin

18. Places of residence during past 15 yrs; indicate exact address & dates of each.

Khalidi's House, near the Ex. Palestine Broadcasting House, St. Paul's Street, New Jerusalem, PALESTINE, till the termination of the British Mandatory Regime, then in the Armenian Quarter, Old City, Jerusalem till Dec., 1954, then in Amman Since the beginning of 1955 up till 1956/then in Amman up till the present.

19. List below the names of all parties, organizations, associations, societies, fraternal or political, of which you are or have been a member, or with which you are or have been affiliated, including dates thereof, and any position held in connection therewith NONE.

20. Have you ever been: In an almshouse? NO Arrested? NO Convicted? NO

In prison? NO The beneficiary of a pardon or amnesty? NO If so, specify in detail

21. Criminal Record, if any: I have no any bad record whatever, wherever.

Date of Arrest

Place of Arrest

Cause of Arrest

Disposition

22. Have you ever applied to any American Consular Officer, either formally, or informally, for a visa or other documentation as an immigrant or non-immigrant? (If so, state when, where, and whether for immigrant or non-immigrant visa)

My father has applied to the United States Embassy at Amman, JORDAN for my registration, on May 31st, 1955, under Refugees Quota for an Immigration-Visa for the U.S.A.

23. Have you ever been in the United States? (If so, indicate port of entry, period or periods of stay, and address or addresses)

Have you ever been removed at government expense, excluded, or deported from the United States? ☐ Yes ☒ Never No

24. Education: Indicate satisfactory completion of:

☒ Elementary School ☒ High School ☒ College or University NO
Give name and Location of High School attended: Jerusalem, till the expiration of the British Mandate.

Name & Location of College or University, Major Study, Dates Attended, Degrees

25. Languages:	(Read)	(Speak)	(Understand)
English	English	English	English
Arabic	Arabic	Arabic	Arabic

26. Military Service: NEVER.

(Unit)	(Rank)	(Serial Number)	(Length of Service)

27. Were you ever a Prisoner of War? ☐ Yes ☒ Never (Give Date and Place of internment, Internment number, and reported nearest of kin)

28. Have you ever been interned in a forced Labor Camp? ☐ Yes ☒ Never No (Give date, place, and period of internment)

29. Place and date of entry into country of present residence: From New Jerusalem to Old City Jerusalem, on May 10th, 1948.

30. If in possession of a passport or other travel document, indicate government, date and place of issue, and expiration date thereof Jordan Passport No. 077730 given by the competent Authority at Jerusalem, on 21 January 1954

31. Have you ever been questioned by any agency since your departure from your previous place of residence? If so, state place, date, and name of agency: Never
except to Iraq as from 1954 to 1956 (two years approximately).

32. Indicate travel during last 15 years showing countries visited, indicate (if possible) addresses, and purpose of such travel: To Iraq as from 1954 to 1956 (two years approximately).

33. Indicate local authority where registered; if not registered, explain: U.N.R.W.A., P.R., under Ration Card No. 1913/142013/14501802.
Jerusalem Area.

34. Have you ever applied for and been denied admission into any country? If so, explain: Never.

35. Are you in urgent need of assistance for food, shelter, clothing or medical care? NO.

36. Indicate means of livelihood, including income from business interests, if any: U.N.R.W.A.'s Rations.

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37. Have you had an opportunity to return to your former home and, if so, why did you decline to return? Never.

38. Are you permitted to work and do you enjoy equal political and economic rights or privileges in the country of your present residence? Yes, but I am unemployed.

39. Upon what conditions were you admitted into the country or area of your present residence? No conditions.

40. If you are the bearer of a temporary residence or work permit, how often must it be renewed or extended? NO.

41. Have you acquired a new nationality since leaving your former home? If so, give details: Automatically the Jordanian Nationality.

42. Antecedents emigrated from or were natives of what country? They were natives of Palestine.

43. What language or dialect is used as the common language of your home or for social communication? Both Arabic and English languages.

44. What was the nature of the persecution or fear of persecution, if any, which caused you to flee or escape from your former home and which caused your inability to return? Armed Jewish Occupation.

45. What was the nature of the natural calamity or military operations, if any, which caused you to leave your former home, and which caused your inability to return? Armed Jewish expansion and occupation.

46. Give names, relationship, and addresses of five (5) persons residing in the free world who know you personally

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Never leprosy? Never or epilepsy? Never

49. Have you ever had any serious or prolonged illness? Never

50. Do you now have any illness or disease for which you are being treated? Never

51. Do you have any physical defect or disability? Never

52. Check status: Professional Yes Skilled Farmer Other Whitewashing,
Oil-Painting and Plastering. (list)

	Occupation	Years of Experience	Amount of Training
(Main)	Whitewashing	Four years	Four years
(Other)	Oil-Painting and		
(Other)	Plastering	" "	" "

53. Description of work, labor or services performed in the last 15 years:
Oftenly unemployed but especially unemployed during the whole
last passed two years.

54. Summary of Employment History from your 14th year (indicate main work activities, name of employer, address and duration of each employment):

Approximately two years (1954 to 1946) I worked in Iraq in whitewashing, oil-painting and plastering, but now I am unemployed.

55. Are you physically able to perform: Your Main occupation? Yes.
Your Secondary occupation(s)?

56. Professional, Technical, Scientific: Professional and technical only

What is your main occupation? Whitewashing, CARPENTRY

Are you now or have you ever been a licensed or certified member of any trade, association, or profession? Never.

Indicate which:

List any other special awards None.

Distinguished honors None.

Other information: (include special studies or research performed, list your more important publications, your patents or inventions, membership in professional and scientific societies, public speaking or public relations, etc.)

None except my practical and theoretical experience in whitewashing, oil-painting and plastering. CARPENTRY

I certify that the answers to the foregoing questions are true & correct.
November 24th, 1958.

(Date)

(Signature of Applicant)

Saidallah Bishara Salameh Ghattas

SIRHAN

Saidallah Bishara Salameh
Ghattas Sirhan.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
OFFICE OF SECURITY

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DATE: June 6, 1968

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Mr. Bernard G. Rachner
FROM : Chief, Division of Protective Security
SUBJECT: Transmittal Notice

The attached material, which is described below, is transmitted for your information and retention.

Department of State Refugee Relief Program, Report of Investigation:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPORT DATED</u>
SIRHAN, Adel Bishara Salameh Ghattas	June 27, 1956
SIRHAN, Aida Bishara Salameh Ghattas	June 27, 1956
SIRHAN, Aida Bishara Salameh Ghattas	August 23, 1956
SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas MIZHIR	June 27, 1956
SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas	January 17, 1956

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APPLICANT NAME CARD

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Surname		First Name		Middle Name		Maiden Name		Sex	
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SIRHAN Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas Mizhir f

Surname		First Name		Middle Name		Maiden Name		Sex	
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AMMAN 1506				1508-09-10-07					
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		Jerusalem Palestine					PII		
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MIZHIR, Mary Yacoub									
AGENCY	REQUESTED	RETURNED		NO RECORD	NOT IDENT.	NO DEROG.	DOCUMENT ATT.	FINDINGS	
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Surname SIRHAN		First Name Adel		Middle Name Bishara	Maiden Name Salameh		Sex M
IRP CONTROL NUMBER 1507				FAMILY GROUP 1507-09-10-06			
DATE OF BIRTH		PLACE OF BIRTH Jerusalem Palestine					CLASS PIL

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Surname SIRHAN		First Name Adel		Middle Name Bishara	Maiden Name Salameh	Sex M
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IRP CONTROL NUMBER 1508		FAMILY GROUP 1507-09-10-06	
DATE OF BIRTH		PLACE OF BIRTH Jerusalem Palestine	
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FROM: IRP/ Amman, Jordan

DATE OF REPORT 23 August 1956

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS Refugee Sec. 4(b) IRP CONTROL NO. Amman-1508 FAMILY GROUP NO'S. Amman-1506, 1507, 1509, 1510.

NAME (SURNAME) SIRHAN, (FIRST NAME) Adel (MIDDLE NAME) Bishara Salameh Ghattas (NIE) --- SEX Male

ALIASES NONE PRESENT NATIONALITY Jordanian

DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) Jerusalem, (COUNTRY) Palestine PII

ACCOMPANYING MINORS (NO SEPARATE REPORT PREPARED)

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
NONE				

A. RECORDS CHECKS	RESULT	DATE	RESULT	DATE
U.S. RECORDS CHECK	NR	9 JUL 56	Visa Office, American Embassy, Amman	NR 18 JUL 56
U.S. RESIDENCE - INS				
U.S. RESIDENCE - "B"				
OTHER CONSULAR DISTRICT RECORDS				
Narcotics Check, American Embassy, Rome	NR	20 JUL 56		
Jordan Ministry Interior (CID British Mandate Arab Legion Intelligence)	NR	4 AUG 56		
Security Officer, American Embassy, Amman	NR	18 JUL 56		
UNRWA, Jordan	NR	29 JUN 56		
BFC List, American Embassy, Amman	NR	28 JUN 56		
INS Look-Out	NR	18 JUL 56		
LEGEND: R. RECORD. NR. NO RECORD				

B. SPLIT INVESTIGATIONS:

NONE

C. REMARKS: NONE
ATTENTION IS INVITED TO PARAGRAPH (S)

D.

George S. Truett
Investigator*James S. Foran*
Reviewed By

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FORM IRP-9 10-3-55 (FORMERLY FORMS IRP-3, 3-A, 6)		DEPARTMENT OF STATE REFUGEE LIFE PROGRAM LIFE SHEET		OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
FROM: IRP/ Amman			DATE 20 Juno 1956		
TO: ☒ IRP/Washington		ACTION REQUESTED ☒ U.S. FILE CHECK ☐ No. 307 ☐ SY (CHINESE) ☐ U.S. RESIDENCE CHECK ☐ RECONSTRUCTED HISTORY ☐ INTERVIEW			
TO: ☐		ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK ☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)			
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SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA					
CLASS Refugee		IRP CONTROL NO. Amman-1503		FAMILY GROUP NO'S. Verman-1500, 1507, 1509, 1510	
NAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (NEE)		SEX			
SIRHAN, Adel Bishara Salameh Ghattas		Female			
ALIASES NONE		PRESENT NATIONALITY Jordanian		PREVIOUS NATIONALITY Palestinian	
DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR)		PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)			
		Jerusalem, Palestine			
FATHER'S NAME SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas		MOTHER'S NAME (NEE) SIRHAN, Mary Elphara Salameh Ghattas MIZHIR			
SPOUSE (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (NEE)		ACCOMPANYING SUBJECT ☐ YES ☐ NO			
PRESENT NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE		PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE		DATE OF BIRTH	
				PLACE OF BIRTH	
ACCOMPANYING MINORS					
NAME		SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
NONE					
EMPLOYMENT (PAST 15 YEARS)					
SUBJECT is presently a student at the Lutheran Trade School of Jerusalem, Jordan.					
RESIDENCES DURING PAST 15 YEARS (CITY AND COUNTRY DATED IN REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER. IF U.S. INDICATE PERSONS WITH WHOM RESIDED AND DATES)					
1948 - present Jerusalem, Jordan.					
Birth - 1948 Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).					
DATE AND PLACE OF U. S. ENTRY					
REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (INCLUDING APPLICANT'S AFFILIATIONS AND MILITARY SERVICE)					
SUBJECT has no organizational or military history.					
JUL 18 1956 NO PERTINENT IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION					
SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS) Helder LILLENAS, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California					DATE OF BIRTH 10 Nov 1905
PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY) Pasadena, California		VOLUNTARY AGENCY IRP		CLASSIFICATION OFFICIAL USE ONLY	

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NAME	IRP CONTROL NO:	
SIRHAN, Adel Bishara Salameh Ghattas	Amman-1508	
SPONSOR(S) NAME AND ADDRESS		
Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California		
DETAILS:		
1.	SUBJECT was born at Jerusalem, Palestine on [REDACTED], as verified by Certificate of Birth dated [REDACTED], issued at Jerusalem, Palestine by the department of Health, a copy of which is on file in Applicant's IRP-Jacket. This information was also substantiated by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
2.	Parents of SUBJECT are: Father- SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas, who has already been processed separately under number: Amman-864. Mother- SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas, nee MIZHIR - Amman-1506. Both are now residing in the Jewish Quarter of the old city, Jerusalem, Jordan. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
3.	SUBJECT is single and has never been married. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
4.	Present nationality of SUBJECT is Jordanian and past nationality was Palestinian. He is in possession of Jordanian Passport #142028, issued at Jerusalem, on 2 July 1956, which was examined. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
5.	SUBJECT claims to have no relatives in Iron Curtain Areas.	
6.	Residence History of SUBJECT is as follows: 1948-present old city, Jewish Quarter, Jerusalem, Jordan Birth-1948 New city, Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel) SUBJECT has done no foreign traveling. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview. The period of residence in Jordan and Palestine was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
7.	Physical and Mental condition of SUBJECT is normal, as verified by examination of Dr. Ya'coub Nazha, Senior Medical Officer, Jerusalem on 30 July 1956, and by the Applicant Interview.	
8.	Investigation disclosed no military or para-military history for SUBJECT, as verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
9.	Investigation disclosed no political history for SUBJECT. She submitted this information in his Preliminary Questionnaire and the Applicant Interview, and it was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
10.	SUBJECT has no organizational affiliations according to the Preliminary Questionnaire and his statement during the Applicant Interview. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.	
11.	Investigation disclosed no criminal record for SUBJECT, as verified by all available sources checked in the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation, namely: Jordan Ministry of Interior records, Criminal Investigation Department, British Mandate, and Arab Legion Intelligence. Checks were also made of the Narcotics Records, American Embassy, Rome; Post Security and Visa records, American Embassy, Amman; and INS Look-Out at IRP, Amman.	

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NAME

IRP CONTROL NO.

SIRHAN, Adel Bishara Salameh Ghattas

Amman-1508

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California

DETAILS:

12. SUBJECT completed 7 years formal education. He is now a student in the 1st. Secondary class at the Lutheran Trade School in Jerusalem, Jordan - (Carpentry Trainee). He speaks, reads and writes Arabic and English. Applicant submitted this information on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Interview, and it was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
13. SUBJECT has no employment history. He is still a student at the Lutheran Trade School, Jerusalem, Jordan. He is a carpentry trainee. This information was submitted on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Applicant Interview., and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
14. Neighborhood references were checked by the Jordan Ministry of Interior Investigation and no derogatory information was disclosed.
15. Adel Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN was interviewed by the undersigned Investigator at the IRP Office, Amman on 27 June 1956. He was cooperative, answered all inquiries in a coherent and intelligent manner, and acted in good faith during the entire course of the interview. Applicant presented a favorable impression.

SUBJECT has a Ration Card #142013.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS:

1. DSR-8 Assurance verified under the Refugee Relief Act on 25 May 1956, under No. 105884.
2. Preliminary Questionnaire
3. Certificate of Birth dated [redacted] issued at Jerusalem, Palestine by the Department of Health.
4. Jordanian Passport #142028, issued at Jerusalem, Jordan on 2 July 1956.

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DATE OF REPORT
23 August 1956

CLASS Refugee Sec. 4(b)		IRP CONTROL NO. Amman-1507		FAMILY GROUP NO'S. Amman-1506, 1508, 1509, 1510.	
NAME	(SURNAME)	(FIRST NAME)	(MIDDLE NAME)	(NEE)	SEX
SIRHAN,		Aida	Bishara Salameh Ghattas --		Female
ALIASES NONE				PRESENT NATIONALITY Jordanian	
DATE OF BIRTH.	(DAY)	(MONTH)	(YEAR)	PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY)	(COUNTRY)
				Jerusalem.	Palestine

ACCOMPANYING MINORS (NO SEPARATE REPORT PREPARED)

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A.	RECORDS CHECKS	RESULT	DATE		RESULT	DATE
	U.S. RECORDS CHECK	NR	9 JUL 56	Visa Office, American Embassy, Amman	NR	18 JUL 56
	U.S. RESIDENCE - INS					
	U.S. RESIDENCE - "B"					
	OTHER CONSULAR DISTRICT RECORDS					
	Narcotics Check, American Embassy, Rome	NR	20 JUL 56			
	Jordan Ministry Interior (CID British Mandate Arab Legion Intelligence)	NR	4 AUG 56			
	Security Officer, American Embassy, Amman	NR	18 JUL 56			
	UNRWA, Jordan	NR	29 JUN 56			
	BFC List, American Embassy, Amman	NR	28 JUN 56			
	INS Look-Out	NR	18 JUL 56			

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LEGEND: R. RECORD. NR. NO RECORD

NONE

REMARKS:
ATTENTION IS INVITED TO PARAGRAPH (S) NONE

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George H. Thompson Investigator *Harold S. Foster* Reviewed By
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REF ID: A66584

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NAME	IRP CONTROL NO.
SIRHAN, Aida Bishara Salameh Ghattas	Amman-1507
SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)	
Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California	

DETAILS:

1. SUBJECT was born at Jerusalem, Palestine on [redacted], as verified by Certificate of Birth dated [redacted] issued at Jerusalem by the Department of Health, a copy of which is on file in Applicant's IRP-Jacket. This information was also substantiated by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
2. Parents of SUBJECT are: Father- SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas, who has already been processed separately under number Amman-864. Mother: SIRHAN, (A-1506) Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas, nee MIZHIR. Both are now residing in the Jewish Quarter, old city, Jerusalem, Jordan. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
3. SUBJECT is single and has never been married. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
4. Present nationality of SUBJECT is Jordanian and past nationality was Palestinian. She is in possession of Jordanian Passport #142027, issued at Jerusalem, on 2 July 1956, which was examined. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
5. SUBJECT claims to have no relatives in Iron Curtain Areas.
6. Residence History of SUBJECT is as follows:

1948-present	old city, Jewish Quarter, Jerusalem, Jordan
Birth-1948	Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel)

SUBJECT has done no foreign traveling.

This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview. The period of residence in Jordan and Palestine was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
7. Physical and Mental condition of SUBJECT is normal, as verified by examination of Dr. Ya'coub Nazha, Senior Medical Officer, Jerusalem, on 29 July 1956, and by the Applicant Interview.
8. Investigation disclosed no military or para-military history for SUBJECT, as verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
9. Investigation disclosed no political history for SUBJECT. She submitted this information in her Preliminary Questionnaire and the Applicant Interview, and it was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
10. SUBJECT has no organizational affiliations according to the Preliminary Questionnaire and her statement during the Applicant Interview. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
11. Investigation disclosed no criminal record for SUBJECT as verified by all available sources checked in the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation, namely: Jordan Ministry of Interior records, Criminal Investigation Department, British Mandate, and Arab Legion Intelligence. Checks were also made of the Narcotics Records, American Embassy, Rome; Post Security and Visa records, American Embassy, Amman; and INS Look-Out at IRP, Amman.

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NAME

SIRHAN, Aida Bishara Salameh Ghattas

IRP CONTROL NO.

Amman-1507

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California

DETAILS:

12. SUBJECT completed 7 years formal education in 1954, studying at the Lutheran School, Jerusalem, Jordan. She speaks, reads and writes Arabic and English. Applicant submitted this information on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the interview, and it was substantiated by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

13. Employment history of SUBJECT is as follows:

1954-present	Housework in own home in Jerusalem, Jordan
1950-1954	Student, Lutheran School, Jerusalem, Jordan

This information was submitted on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Applicant Interview.

14. Neighborhood references were checked by the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation and no derogatory information was disclosed.

15. Aida Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN was interviewed by the undersigned Investigator at the IRP Office, Amman on 27 June 1956. She was cooperative, answered all inquiries in a coherent and intelligent manner, and acted in good faith during the entire course of the interview. Applicant presented a favorable impression.

SUBJECT has a current UNRWA Ration Card #143013.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS:

1. DSR-8 Assurance verified by the Refugee Relief Act on 25 May 1956, under No. 105884.
2. Preliminary Questionnaire
3. Certificate of Birth dated [redacted] issued at Jerusalem, Palestine by the Department of Health.
4. Jordanian Passport #142027, issued at Jerusalem on 2 July 1956.

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FROM: IRP/Amman

DATE 28 June 1956

TO: ☒ IRP/Washington

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ U.S. FILE CHECK ☐ No. 367 ☐ SY. (CHINESE)
☐ U.S. RESIDENCE CHECK ☐ RECONSTRUCTED HISTORY ☐ INTERVIEW

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS
Refugee

IRP CONTROL NO.
Amman-1507

FAMILY GROUP NO'S. Amman-1506,
1508, 1509, 1510

NAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) SEX
SIRHAN, Ayda Bishara Salameh Ghattas - Female

ALIASES NONE PRESENT NATIONALITY Jordanian PREVIOUS NATIONALITY Palestinian

DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)
Jerusalem, Palestine

FATHER'S NAME MOTHER'S NAME (INEE)
SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas MIZHIR

SPOUSE (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) ACCOMPANYING SUBJECT
☐ YES ☐ NO

PRESENT NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH

ACCOMPANYING MINORS

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
NONE				

EMPLOYMENT (PAST 10 YEARS)

1954 - present Housework for father in Jerusalem, Jordan.
1950 - 1954 Student - Lutheran School, Jerusalem, Jordan.

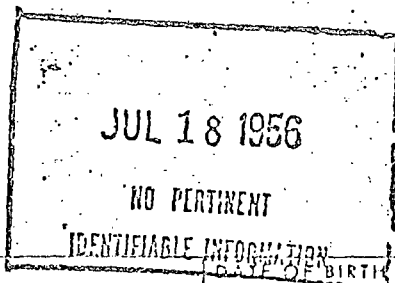
RESIDENCE DURING PAST 15 YEARS (CITY AND COUNTRY DATED IN REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, IF U.S., INDICATE PERSONS WITH WHOM RESIDED AND DATES)

1948 - present Jerusalem, Jordan.
Birth - 1948 Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).

DATE AND PLACE OF U. S. ENTRY

REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (INCLUDING APPLICANT'S AFFILIATIONS AND MILITARY SERVICE)

SUBJECT has no organizational, or military history



SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor LILJENAS, 1945 E. Main St., Pasadena, California

PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)

VOLUNTARY AGENCY

CLASSIFICATION

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Classification

NAME

SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas

IRP CONTROL NO.

Amman-1506

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California

DETAILS:

1. SUBJECT was born on [redacted] at Jerusalem, Palestine, as verified by birth documents on file in the Visa Office and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

2. Parents of SUBJECT are: Father- MIZHIR, Yacoub. Mother- MIZHIR, Farha, nee YAGHNAM. Both are deceased. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

3. SUBJECT is married and has 4 children. All are accompanying Applicant.

Husband: SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh. DOB: [redacted] POB: Taybeh, Palestine

He has already been processed under IRP Control # Amman-864.)

Daughter: SIRHAN, Aida - DOB: [redacted] POB: Jerusalem, Palestine (Amman-1507)

Son: SIRHAN, Adel - DOB: [redacted] POB: Jerusalem, Palestine (Amman-1508)

Son: SIRHAN, Sarhan. DOB: [redacted] POB: Jerusalem, Palestine (Amman-1509)

Son: SIRHAN, Munir DOB: [redacted] POB: Jerusalem, Palestine (Amman-1510)

This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

4. Present nationality of SUBJECT is Jordanian and past nationality was Palestinian. She is in possession of Jordanian Passport #142026, issued at Jerusalem on 2 July 1956, which was examined. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

5. SUBJECT claims to have no relatives in Iron Curtain Areas.

6. Residence History of SUBJECT is as follows:

1948-present	Refugee Camp, Jewish Quarter, old city, Jerusalem, Jordan
Birth-1948	St. Paul Street, Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel)

SUBJECT has done no foreign traveling.

7. Physical and Mental condition of SUBJECT is normal, as verified by examination of Dr. Ya'coub Nazha, Senior Medical Officer, Jerusalem, on 29 July 1956, and by the Applicant Interview.

8. Investigation disclosed no political history for SUBJECT. She submitted this information in her Preliminary Questionnaire and the Applicant Interview, and it was verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

9. Investigation disclosed no military or para-military history for SUBJECT, as verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

10. SUBJECT has no organizational affiliations according to the Preliminary Questionnaire and her statement during the Applicant Interview. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

11. Investigation disclosed no criminal record for SUBJECT as verified by all available sources checked in the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation, namely: Jordan Ministry of Interior records, Criminal Investigation Department, British Mandate, and Arab Legion Intelligence. Checks were also made of the Narcotics Records, American Embassy, Rome; Post Security and Visa records, American Embassy, Amman; and INS Look-Out at IRP, Amman.

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NAME

SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh, Ghattas

IRP CONTROL NO.

Amman-1506

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor Lillenas, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California

DETAILS:

12. SUBJECT completed 7 years formal education in 1927, studying at the Government School, Jerusalem, Palestine; she speaks, reads and writes Arabic and English. Applicant submitted this information on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during her interview, and it was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

13. Employment History of SUBJECT is as follows:

1930-present Housewife in Jerusalem, Palestine and Jordan.
1927-1930 Housework in own home in Jerusalem, Palestine

This information was submitted on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Applicant Interview. Present employment as housewife was verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

14. Neighborhood references were checked by the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation and no derogatory information was disclosed.

15. Mary Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN was interviewed by the undersigned Investigator at the IRP Office, Amman on 27 June 1956. She was cooperative, answered all inquiries in a coherent and intelligent manner, and acted in good faith during the entire course of the interview. Applicant presented a favorable impression.

SUBJECT holds a current UNRWA Ration Card #142013, valid for 8 persons.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS:

1. Verified Assurance (DSR-8), verified under the Refugee Relief Act on 25 May 1956, under #105884
2. Preliminary Questionnaire
3. Birth Record in Consular File
4. Financial Statement - subscribed and sworn to on 25 June 1956, before the American Vice Consul, Eugene H. Bird, Jerusalem.
5. Jordanian Passport #142026, issued at Jerusalem, Jordan on 2 July 1956.

FROM: IRP/Amman

DATE 28 June 1956

TO: ☒ IRP/Washington

ACTION REQUESTED ☒ U.S. FILE CHECK ☐ No. 307 ☐ SY (CHINESE)
☐ U.S. RESIDENCE CHECK ☐ RECONSTRUCTED HISTORY ☐ INTERVIEW

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS Refugee IRP CONTROL NO. Amman-1506 FAMILY GROUP NO'S. 1508, 1509, 1510 amman-1507

NAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) SEX
 SIRHAN, Mary Bishara Salameh Chattas MIZHIR Female

ALIASES Mary Yacoub MIZHIR PRESENT NATIONALITY Jordanian PREVIOUS NATIONALITY Palestinian

DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)
 [REDACTED] Jerusalem, Palestine

FATHER'S NAME MOTHER'S NAME (INEE)
 MIZHIR, Yacoub (deceased) MIZHIR, Farha (deceased) YOGHANAM

SPOUSE (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) ACCOMPANYING SUBJECT
 SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Chattas ☐ YES ☒ NO

PRESENT NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH
 Jordanian Palestinian 17 March 1913 El Taiyba, Palestine

ACCOMPANYING MINORS

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
Sorhan SIRHAN	Male	[REDACTED]	Jerusalem, Palestine	Amman-15 PII
Munis SIRHAN	Male	[REDACTED]	Jerusalem, Palestine	Amman-1510

EMPLOYMENT (PAST 15 YEARS)

1948 - present Housewife in Jerusalem, Jordan.
 1930 - 1948 Housewife in Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).
 1927 - 1930 Housework for father in Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).

RESIDENCES DURING PAST 15 YEARS (CITY AND COUNTRY DATED IN REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, IF U.S., INDICATE PERSONS WITH WHOM RESIDED AND DATES)

1948 - present Jerusalem, Jordan.
 Birth - 1948 Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).

DATE AND PLACE OF U. S. ENTRY

REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (INCLUDING APPLICANT'S AFFILIATIONS AND MILITARY SERVICE)

SUBJECT has no organizational, or military history.

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NO PERTINENT
IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Haldor LILLENAS, 1945 E. Mountain, Pasadena, California

DATE OF BIRTH 19 Nov 1885

PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)
 Fitjar, Norway

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FROM: IRP/ Amman

DATE OF REPORT
22 May 1956

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS: Refugee
Sec. 4(a)(14) IRP CONTROL NO.
Amman-664FAMILY GROUP NO'S.
NONENAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (NICK) SEX
SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas - MaleALIASES: NONE PRESENT NATIONALITY
JordanianDATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)
El Taiyba, Palestine PII

ACCOMPANYING MINORS (NO SEPARATE REPORT PREPARED)

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
NONE				

A. RECORDS CHECKS	RESULT	DATE		RESULT	DATE
U.S. RECORDS CHECK	NR	16 FEB 56	Visa Office, AmEmbassy, Amman	NR	21 FEB 56
U. S. RESIDENCE - INS					
U. S. RESIDENCE - "B"					
OTHER CONSULAR DISTRICT RECORDS					
Narcotics Check, American Embassy, Rome	NR	9 FEB 56			
Jordan Ministry Interior (CID British Mandate Arab Legion Intelli- gence)	NR	4 APR 56			
Security Officer, Amer. Embassy, Amman	NR	21 FEB 56			
UNRWA, Jordan	NR	30 MAR 56			
BFC List, American Em- bassy, Amman	NR	20 JAN 56			
INS Look-Out	NR	28 FEB 56			
LEGEND: R. RECORD. NR. NO RECORD					

B. SPLIT INVESTIGATIONS:

NONE

C. REMARKS:

ATTENTION IS INVITED TO PARAGRAPH (S) NONE

D.

George S. Truitt Investigator *James A. Loefer* Reviewer
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Classification

NAME

SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas

IRP CONTROL NO.

Amman-864

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Pre-Processed

DETAILS:

1. SUBJECT was born on [] in El Taiyba, Palestine, as certified by birth documents on file in the Visa Office and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
2. Parents of SUBJECT are: Father-Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN (deceased); Mother-Nasra Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN, now residing in Jerusalem, Jordan. P.O.B. 4079, Citadel. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
3. SUBJECT is married and has 6 children, none of whom will accompany applicant. This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview, and substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

Mary SIRHAN - nee NIZHER	Jerusalem, Palestine	3 January 1913	wife
Shareef	Jerusalem, Palestine	13 June 1931	son
Saidallah	Jerusalem, Palestine	14 July 1932	son
Ayda	Jerusalem, Palestine	7 March 1936	daughter
Adel	Jerusalem, Palestine	10 October 1938	son
Sirhan	Jerusalem, Palestine	19 March 1944	son
Munir	Jerusalem, Palestine	15 July 1947	son

4. Present nationality of SUBJECT is Jordanian and past nationality was Palestinian. He is in possession of Jordanian Passport #92300 issued at Jerusalem 27 December 1951, which was examined. This information was substantiated by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
5. SUBJECT claims to have no relatives in Iron Curtain Areas.
6. Residence history of SUBJECT is as follows:

1948 - present	Refugee Camp, Jerusalem, Jordan.
1913 - 1948	Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel).
Birth - only	El Taiyba, Palestine.

SUBJECT has done no foreign traveling.

This information was obtained from the Preliminary Questionnaire and Applicant Interview. The period of residence in Jordan and Palestine was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

7. Physical and Mental condition of SUBJECT is normal, as verified by the examination of Dr. Yacoub Nazha, Medical Officer, Jordan Dept. of Public Health, and by the Applicant Interview.
8. Investigation disclosed no military or para-military history for SUBJECT, as verified by Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
9. Investigation disclosed no political history for SUBJECT. He submitted this information in his Preliminary Questionnaire and the Interview, and it was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
10. SUBJECT has no organizational affiliations according to the Preliminary Questionnaire and his statement during the Interview. This information was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.
11. Investigation disclosed no criminal record for SUBJECT, as verified by all available sources checked in the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation, namely: Jordan Ministry of Interior records, Criminal Investigation Department, British Mandate, and Arab Legion Intelligence. Checks were also made of the Narcotics Records, American Embassy, Rome; Post Security and Visa records, American Embassy, Amman; and INS Look-Out at IRP, Amman.

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Classification

NAME	IRP CONTROL NO.
SIRHAN, Bishara Salameh Ghattas	Amman-864

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

Pre-Processed

DETAILS:

12. SUBJECT completed 7 years formal education in 1926, studying at the Government School in Jerusalem, Palestine; he speaks, reads, and writes Arabic and English. This information was submitted by Applicant on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Interview, and it was substantiated by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

15. Employment history for SUBJECT is as follows:

1948 - present	Unemployed in Jerusalem, Jordan.
1934 - 1948	Mechanic, Public Works Dept., Jerusalem, Palestine (now Israel)
1927 - 1934	Mechanic Municipal Sanitary Dept., Jerusalem, Palestine
1919 - 1926	Student

This information was submitted on the Preliminary Questionnaire and during the Applicant Interview, and was verified by the Jordan Ministry of Interior check.

14. Neighborhood references were checked by the Jordan Ministry of Interior investigation and no derogatory information was disclosed

15. Bishara Salameh Ghattas SIRHAN was interviewed by the undersigned Investigator at the IRP Office, Amman on 17 January 1956. He was cooperative, answered all inquiries in a coherent and intelligent manner, and acted in good faith during the entire course of the interview. Applicant presented a favorable impression.

SUBJECT holds current UNRWA Ration Card #142013 valid for 8 persons.

This is a pre-processed case.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS:

1. Preliminary Questionnaire.
2. Birth Record in Consular File.
3. Financial Statement subscribed and sworn to on the 15 January 1956, before the American Consul, John A. Sabini, Jerusalem
4. Jordanian Passport #92300 issued at Jerusalem 27 December 1951.

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FROM: IRP/Amman

DATE
20 January 1956

TO: IRP/Washington

ACTION REQUESTED ☒ U.S. FILE CHECK ☐ No. 307 ☐ SY (CHINESE)
☐ U.S. RESIDENCE CHECK ☐ RECONSTRUCTED HISTORY ☐ INTERVIEW

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

TO: ☐

ACTION REQUESTED ☐ SPLIT INVESTIGATION ☐ RESIDENCE CHECK
☐ INTERVIEW (SEE REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS: Refugee IRP CONTROL NO.: Amman-854 FAMILY GROUP NO'S.: None

NAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) SEX
SIRHAN, Nasser Salameh Chatto Male

ALIASES: None PRESENT NATIONALITY: Jordanian PREVIOUS NATIONALITY: Palestinian

DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR): PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY):
El Sadya, Palestine

FATHER'S NAME: Sirhan, Salameh Chatto MOTHER'S NAME: Sirhan, Nasser Salameh Chatto (INEE)

SPOUSE (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (INEE) ACCOMPANYING SUBJECT
☐ YES ☐ NO

PRESENT NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE: PREVIOUS NATIONALITY OF SPOUSE: DATE OF BIRTH: PLACE OF BIRTH:

ACCOMPANYING MINORS

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER

EMPLOYMENT (PAST 15 YEARS)

1948 - present Unemployed.
1934 - 1948 Mechanic, Public Works Dept., Jerusalem, Palestine.

RESIDENCE DURING PAST 15 YEARS (CITY AND COUNTRY DATED IN REVERSE/CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, IF U.S., INDICATE PERSONS WITH WHOM RESIDED AND DATES)

1948 - present Refugee Camp, Jerusalem, Jordan.
1918 - 1948 Jerusalem, New City, Palestine (now Israel).

DATE AND PLACE OF U. S. ENTRY

REMARKS AND/OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (INCLUDING APPLICANT'S AFFILIATIONS AND MILITARY SERVICE)

Applicant has no organizational or military service history.

This is a pre-processed case.

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NO PERTINENT
IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

DATE OF BIRTH

PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY): VOLUNTARY AGENCY: CLASSIFICATION: OFFICIAL USE ONLY

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6/17/63

Date _____

MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN was interviewed at his residence, 696 East Howard, at which time he advised as follows:

MUNIR SIRHAN was arrested on a vagrancy charge in Flagstaff, Arizona, in May of 1966, along with three or four other individuals. He and DAVID MYERS had left Los Angeles, California, together on a hitchhiking trip. They had been acquainted with each other only two or three weeks before their departure. MUNIR SIRHAN's brother, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, was not acquainted with MYERS in any manner.

The other individuals who were arrested at the same time were not known to MUNIR SIRHAN prior to the date of the arrest. It was pointed out to Mr. SIRHAN that apparently the Flagstaff, Arizona, Police records indicate he was acquainted with PHILLIP LEE CLEVINGER and RONNIE EDMON HOULEN who were arrested at the same time. Mr. SIRHAN advised that this was inaccurate, as, in fact, he and MYERS were traveling together, and they obtained a ride with the others. He had not seen them before that date.

Mr. SIRHAN stated, without any qualification at all, that his brother, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, was in no way acquainted with any of the above individuals.

On 6/13/63 at Pasadena, California File # Los Angeles 56-156
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by SA JOSEPH DOYLE POWELL/eb Date dictated 6/14/63

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/19/68

ISABELL TABULARA, Secretary, Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau, 1709 West Eighth Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that a review of the records of this agency reflected no record concerning PHIL LEE CLEVINGER, DAVID MYERS, or RONALD HULEN.

She advised that these records contained one reference to one DAVE MYERS who was involved in bookmaking activities in Denver, Colorado, however, this individual is not identified in these files.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
T. MICHAEL SEIKEL, JR., at Flagstaff, Arizona:

On June 6, 1968, inquiry at the Flagstaff Police Department (FPD) revealed that on May 26, 1966, at 6:25 p.m., the FPD arrested a MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN SIRHAN, also known as Joe, address 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, telephone 298-2136. On May 30, 1966, he was sentenced under Arizona Revised Statutes 13-991 (Vagrancy), Flagstaff arrest No. 61028, and was given 15 days in jail. The following descriptive information was obtained:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	22
Height	65"
Weight	115 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Occupation	Student
Date of birth	July 15, 1943
Place of birth	Jerusalem, Jordan
Fingerprint	
Classification	16 I 31 W 100 18 I 19 W OIO
Scars and marks	Scars under right forearm
Dress	Black and white striped shirt, green trousers, black turtle- neck sweater
Vehicle	1957 Chevrolet four-door, white over green, 1965 Indiana license 25-A3655

SIRHAN was arrested with two other individuals
as follows:

Name	DAVID MYERS, JR.
Address	1630 Turk, La Puente, California
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	
Place of birth	Los Angeles, California

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Height	6' 1"
Weight	155 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium
Occupation	Laborer
Arrest	Same as SIRHAN and same sentence

Fingerprint	
Classification	9 O 9 T IO 11 M 18 R III
FPD Number	61027

Driver of vehicle	PHILIP LEE CLEVINGER
Address	1626 North Wilcox, Hollywood, California

Date of birth	
Place of birth	Gary, Indiana
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5' 8"
Weight	140 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium
FBI Number	833 974 E
FPD Number	61019

CLEVINGER was cited for no registration and charge was dismissed on May 27, 1966.

FPD officer was Sergeant GUY HOUSEHOLDER. In his report it was noted that MYERS claimed to be a hitchhiker and that CLEVINGER and SIRHAN were together. The vehicle apparently belonged to CLEVINGER.

In addition to CLEVINGER and SIRHAN, one RONNIE EDMAN HOULEN was arrested for Vagrancy and accompanied SIRHAN and CLEVINGER. HOULEN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	February 10, 1947
Place of birth	Ottumwa, Iowa

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Height	5' 9"
Weight	160 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Address at time of arrest	127½ North McClean Street, Attumwa, Iowa

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PHILIP L. CLEVINGER, Baldwin House Hotel, 74 - 6th Street, San Francisco, California, telephonically furnished the following information:

CLEVINGER received letter from mother, PRISCILLA CLEVINGER, Apt. 2, 3461 Andy, Long Beach, California, advising FBI Agent JOE CHEFALO had contacted her stating he wanted information from PHILIP CLEVINGER concerning whether a hithchiker he had picked up about two years ago was identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

In May, 1966, while CLEVINGER was enroute to California via automobile, he picked up two hitchhikers in Texas, exact location not recalled. When they reached Flagstaff, Arizona, he was stopped by Arizona Highway Patrol and a check made of the vehicle he was driving. Highway Patrol booked the two hitchhikers in Flagstaff on May 26, 1966, for vagrancy.

CLEVINGER does not know the identities of the hitchhikers but understands from an article which appeared in Life magazine and an interview he had with a representative of Life magazine that one of the hitchhikers may have been the brother of SIRHAN SIRHAN. CLEVINGER stated he does not know who the hitchhikers were and is unable to say at this time whether either one of them may have been identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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Date June 21, 1968

Mrs. LINDA FRANCES HULEN, also known as Mrs. WAYNE EDMON HULEN, 602 $\frac{1}{2}$ North Iowa Street, no telephone, interviewed at her residence, furnished the following information:

The whereabouts of her son, RONALD EDMON HULEN, is unknown. She suggested that RONALD's twin sister, BONNIE SUE MUNN (Mrs. JERRY MUNN) may know. Mrs. HULEN's children are as follows:

- (1) MARTHA SETSER (CHESTER), street address unknown, Michigan City, Indiana;
- (2) BETTY CALLAS (JERRY), 101 North Walnut, Ottumwa, Iowa, telephone 682-6910;
- (3) LARRY WAYNE HULEN (SHIRLEY), last known living at 117 Second Avenue Southwest, Cedar Rapids, Iowa;
- (4) BONNIE SUE MUNN (JERRY), 304 $\frac{1}{2}$ West Third, Washington, Iowa, no telephone;
- (5) RONALD EDMON HULEN, born , twin brother of BONNIE MUNN

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Mrs. HULEN advised that on June 11, 1968, she received a telegram delivered by the Postmaster, Washington, Iowa, from "JACK FINCHER, Life Magazine, Area Code 213 - Crestview 3-1530, Beverly Hills, California", which stated "Urgent you phone me collect soones the present whereabouts of your son Ronald. He is not in trouble but may have extremely valuable information." She gave the wire to Mrs. MUNN who contacted Life Magazine June 13, 1968, and talked to someone in lieu of FINCHER. Mrs. MUNN was told of her brother, RONALD's, arrest in 1966 for vagrancy in company with SIRHAN SIRHAN, and allegedly RONALD's address was asked but Mrs. MUNN claimed not to know his whereabouts and did not give his address to Life Magazine.

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Mrs. HULEN advised the SIRHANs are unknown to them and were never mentioned by RONALD HULEN. She believes her son, RONALD, is a "dope addict" and thinks that he uses heroin. She believes that one PHILLIP CLEVINGER, who possibly lives in Bellflower, California, might know RONALD HULEN's whereabouts.

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BONNIE SUE MUNN, 304 $\frac{1}{2}$ West Third Street, furnished the following information:

Her twin brother, RONALD EDMON HULEN, was last known to be living in the Long Beach, California, area, but his exact address and telephone number are not available since they were misplaced during a recent move by the MUNNs.

RONALD HULEN called her long distance prepaid sometime in April, 1968, and again about May 11, 1968. On the last occasion HULEN said he was living with some people he described as his "new brother and sister". RONALD said that the lady, DONNA (last name unknown), had a baby about three weeks old.

He told Mrs. MUNN he had recently "been knifed" and almost died. He declined to discuss the details further, except that he spent considerable time in an unidentified hospital.

She believed he was intoxicated when he made this call.

Mrs. MUNN stated her mother gave her a telegram from JACK FINCHER, Life Magazine, which requested that he be contacted regarding the whereabouts of RONALD. She contacted Life June 13, 1968, and talked to an unknown person in the absence of FINCHER. She was told that RONALD HULEN was reportedly an associate of SIRHAN SIRHAN and the two were arrested together in 1966 for vagrancy. RONALD's address was requested but Mrs. MUNN alleged that his whereabouts was unknown to her and his location was not furnished to Life Magazine.

The SIRHANs are unknown to them and were never mentioned to her by her brother. She believes RONALD HULEN is a "dope addict" and a user of Heroin. One PHILLIP CLEVINGER, who possibly resides in Bellflower, California, possibly knows HULEN's whereabouts.

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LARRY WAYNE HULEN was located at 833 Shaver Road Northeast, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and advised that he has no current information regarding the whereabouts of his brother, RONALD EDMON HULEN. He stated that he had not heard from his brother for about a year, at which time RONALD was living at Long Beach, California, street address not recalled. He stated he has never heard his brother mention a DAVID MYERS; however, he stated he has heard his brother mention a person named CLEVINGER, and he thought CLEVINGER owned apartment houses in California. HULEN stated that his brother, RONALD, is a drifter who has been away from the family since he was sixteen years old, and he thinks RONALD uses narcotics. HULEN stated he would advise the FBI immediately in the event he obtained information regarding his brother's whereabouts.

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1Date June 21, 1968

Mrs. E. H. AHLGREN, 117 Second Avenue Southwest, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, advised that LARRY WAYNE HULEN no longer resides at that address. She stated he left about one month ago and had lived there about one year prior to his leaving. She stated that he might be reached through his mother-in-law, Mrs. HARRY HITTIE, at 833 Shaver Road Northeast, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mrs. AHLGREN stated that during the time HULEN resided in her home she never heard him mention his brother, RONALD EDMON HULEN.

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Mrs. BETTY CALLAS, 101 North Walnut Street, Ottumwa, Iowa, advised that she received a telephone call from RONALD HULEN sometime during May, 1968, but he did not furnish his whereabouts. Mrs. CALLAS advised that it is her belief RONALD is in the Long Beach or Los Angeles, California, area, but his exact whereabouts are unknown to her. She will advise if she learns of his whereabouts.

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1Date June 18, 1968

Mrs. MAX HULEN, 825 South Ward Street, interviewed at her residence, furnished the following information:

Her husband, MAX HULEN, is a distant cousin of RONALD HULEN's family but does not associate with them and has no information concerning RONALD's whereabouts. She did not even know RONALD HULEN and his family had moved away from 127 $\frac{1}{2}$ North McLean Street. She stated RONALD HULEN has been away from Ottumwa, Iowa, for years. She is unable to furnish any information regarding the whereabouts of any member of RONALD's immediate family.

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Date June 21, 1968

RONNIE HULEN, home address 323 Heath Lane, Long Beach, California, telephone 639-1842, telephonically contacted the Des Moines, Iowa, Resident Agency of the FBI from Long Beach, California, and furnished the following information:

He was advised by his sister, BETTY CALLAS, 101 North Walnut, Ottumwa, Iowa, that the FBI is attempting to contact him regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN, ROBERT KENNEDY's assassin. He does not know KENNEDY's assassin but was arrested in May, 1966, at Flagstaff, Arizona, for vagrancy along with JOE SIRHAN, brother of SIRHAN SIRHAN, PHIL CLEVINGER and one JOHN MYERS. He did not know JOE SIRHAN or MYERS before he and CLEVINGER picked them up while they were hitchhiking on the outskirts of New Orleans, Louisiana. CLEVINGER is a friend who resides now in care of General Delivery, San Francisco, California, and who originally resided at South Bend, Indiana.

CLEVINGER, in May of 1966, was driving a 1957 green Chevrolet given him by his grandmother in South Bend. He drove to New Orleans, Louisiana, where he picked up HULEN. He, RONALD HULEN, and CLEVINGER left New Orleans in the 1957 Chevrolet en route to California where they expected to live.

On the outskirts of New Orleans they observed two male hitchhikers and picked them up. These individuals identified themselves as JOE SIRHAN and JOHN MYERS. Following U.S. Route 66 through Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico the group arrived in Flagstaff, Arizona, where the police of Flagstaff arrested the group for vagrancy. He and CLEVINGER wired home for bail money, which they received, paid their bail and left for California in CLEVINGER's Chevrolet, leaving SIRHAN and MYERS in jail.

HULEN did not know SIRHAN or MYERS before they were picked up and has not seen them since they were arrested in Flagstaff. He has been contacted by Life Magazine and several newspapers to write the story of this trip. He denied that, during his association with SIRHAN and MYERS, any political matters were discussed nor was there any indication that SIRHAN's brother planned the KENNEDY assassination.

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If the FBI wishes to contact him he can be reached at his home address or at his place of employment, the Coral Room, Paramount and Carson, Long Beach, California.

HULEN described himself as a white male; born [redacted], Ottumwa, Iowa; 5'8"; 165 pounds; dark brown hair; and blue eyes.

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He maintained that he has no knowledge of the current residence for PHIL CLEVINGER, only that he can be reached in care of General Delivery, San Francisco.

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MYLEEN KAYE was interviewed at her residence, apartment 204, Vacation Village Hotel. She stated that she is a featured dancer in the Barafost Bar at Vacation Village. She stated that MYLEEN KAYE is her professional name and that her legal name is EILEEN NORMA MURPHY.

She said the first member of the SIRHAN family she had met was ADEL SIRHAN, brother of SIRHAN SIRHAN. She met ADEL in April, 1966, when she started dancing at the Pez Nightclub in Los Angeles. ADEL played the oud in the orchestra at that nightclub. ADEL had worked at the Pez since about 1960 or 1961. She said that ADEL's brother, SHARIEF, occasionally came to the club, but his brothers SIRHAN, MUNIR, and SAIDAH never came to the club to her knowledge.

MYLEEN started to go out with ADEL and around December, 1966, he took her home to meet his family. MUNIR, SIRHAN, and ADEL all live with their mother on Howard Street in Pasadena. This was the first time she met SIRHAN. She did not think much of SIRHAN and on this first occasion he met her she bluntly asked him why he didn't get a job. He said something to the effect that he was busy reading a lot. She realized that she had offended him by her bluntness and she never did get along with him from that day. She considered SIRHAN to be an "odd-ball." He seemed sassy to her. MYLEEN said that she regretted having made this remark to SIRHAN and believes that she had resented the fact that all the family seemed to rely on handouts from their mother and all leaned on their mother quite a bit. SIRHAN at the time had seemed like "such a bum" to her.

Subsequently MYLEEN frequently called the SIRHAN home to speak to ADEL. Since all three of the boys at the house speak alike she often would not know which one had answered the telephone except that if it was SIRHAN who answered she would know because he was always impertinent in his speech to her.

MYLEEN said that she got the impression that ADEL's family did not think much of her because she was a dancer. As a result, she visited the family home only about a total

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of four times and never got to know the family, other than ADEL, well. The last time she was at the SIRHAN home was Christmas, 1967. SIRHAN was not at home when she arrived, and when he did get home he would not even come into the room where she was.

She said that ADEL told her that SIRHAN had had a bad fall from a horse and that he had been lucky to have lived through it. It is her understanding that after the accident one of his eyes did not seem to focus.

MYLEEN said that she and ADEL both quit their jobs at The Foz in June, 1967, thinking that they would get married. She wanted ADEL to get a job other than in the orchestra at the Foz, a job where he would settle down. She went to England for a couple of months during this period and when she returned to Los Angeles she got a job dancing at the Cascades in Anaheim. She and ADEL quarreled off and on and finally broke up about two months ago at which time she came to San Diego to take her present job at the Vacation Village.

MYLEEN said that her mother lives in Los Angeles and she goes to Los Angeles every Monday, on her day off, to visit her mother. She frequently looked up ADEL for a date on these Mondays. Her last date with ADEL was on the Monday before the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and on that day they had their "final final" breakup.

Of the brothers, MUNIR seemed to be closest to SIRHAN. ADEL did not seem to know what SIRHAN was doing and he did not speak much about SIRHAN although he stuck up for SIRHAN when MYLEEN criticized SIRHAN's rudeness. ADEL was an easygoing person and showed no interest in politics. Even on June 5, 1967, at the time of the Arab-Israeli War, ADEL did not seem greatly disturbed although his mother was greatly upset.

MYLEEN said that she does not know who SIRHAN's close friends were nor does she know whether or not he had any girl friends. She does not know whether any of the family had travelled to the Middle East and she never heard any of them talk about wanting to go there. She never knew of any member of the family having gone. She believes that none of the brothers are married.

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She has not seen any member of the family since the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

MYLEEN said that about three weeks ago she went to Dr. VANCE E. KENDON on Garnet Avenue in San Diego for an examination at which time she used the name, Mrs. HANK SERRAN. She said she does not know why she used this name at the time of this visit.

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BEVERLY LEE MONROE, 6376 Yucca Street, Apartment 101, telephone number 463-2151, advised that socially and professionally she is known as BEVERLY COREY, which was her married name. She advised she is now divorced and was given her maiden name in the terms of the divorce. She advised that she is currently employed as a dancer at Little Caesar's Club in Gardena, California.

COREY stated she has known ADEL SIRHAN, the brother of SIRHAN SIRHAN, for a period of about two years. She advised she had never met any other member of the SIRHAN family until June 5, 1968, when she met both SHARIF and SAIDALLAH SIRHAN.

COREY stated that on Tuesday evening, June 4, 1968, she went over to BARBARA ANTOINETTE KHOURY's apartment, located at 5667 Fountain Avenue, Apartment 8, Hollywood, California, at about 8:00 p.m. She said she took her three year old son, MARK, with her in her 1959 Volkswagen bus. She said she and ANTOINETTE left the apartment about 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. and drove over to the International Pancake House on Sunset Boulevard near La Brea. She said they had something to eat and then drove around for a while. She said they decided to go to the Pantages Theatre to see "BOOM." She said they arrived at the theatre about 10:30 p.m. as the feature was just starting and it was listed to commence at 10:30 p.m. She advised that following the ending of the movie, they both drove back to ANTOINETTE's apartment at about 12:30 a.m. June 5, 1968. She said that when they got to the apartment, NABIL KHOURY, ANTOINETTE's brother-in-law, met them at the door and said "Did you know Kennedy had been shot?" She said both of them gave negative answers because there is no radio in her Volkswagen bus.

COREY said the television set was on and the three of them sat down to watch it for quite some time. She said NABIL stated he was going to bed; so the girls took the set

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into ANTOINETTE's bedroom and watched the news for the rest of the night. She said that she dozed intermittently but that ANTOINETTE stayed awake all night.

COREY said about 11:00 a.m. ANTOINETTE's mother telephoned the apartment from Riverside, California, to tell ANTOINETTE something about the KENNEDY shooting. She said the conversation lasted about three minutes. ANTOINETTE then told her (BEVERLY) her mother said that ADEL SIRHAN's brother had shot KENNEDY. ANTOINETTE was stunned by the news her mother had relayed to her. She said they turned the television on and within moments it again confirmed the fact that SIRHAN SIRHAN of Pasadena, California, had been arrested as the suspect in the KENNEDY shooting. She said that ANTOINETTE became very upset and began to weep. ANTOINETTE expressed concern for ADEL SIRHAN and his family because she (ANTOINETTE) has known the family for more than five years.

COREY stated that she put forth the suggestion that they drive over to the SIRHAN residence to see if there was anything that they could do to assist. COREY stated that she had long time personal friends who reside at 680 East Howard Street, which is two doors away from the SIRHAN residence.

COREY stated at approximately 1:00 p.m. ANTOINETTE and she drove over to the SIRHAN residence in Pasadena in ANTOINETTE's 1963 Ford Galaxie and arrived about 1:30 p.m. She said they observed numerous uniformed police officers, detectives, press and spectators around the house. She said they were permitted to drive by the police barricades at the end of the street when she stated they were going to her friends' house and walked to the SIRHAN residence. She said they approached a police officer and asked if he knew whether ADEL SIRHAN was home.

She stated she and ANTOINETTE waited beside ADEL's Volkswagen sedan parked in his driveway until SAIDALLAH SIRHAN arrived home at about 3:00 p.m. She stated ANTOINETTE introduced her to SAIDALLAH. She said she believes SAIDALLAH said that ADEL SIRHAN was either at the Rampart Division or was on his way home. She advised that about 3:15 to 3:30 p.m. SHARIF SIRHAN arrived home and went immediately to the back of the house. SHARIF asked the police to keep the press and spectators away as he would not speak to any of them. She said she and ANTOINETTE accompanied SHARIF to the back of the house and it was at this time she was introduced to SHARIF, whom she had never met before. She stated the police officers, who were with them, did not question SHARIF regarding the whereabouts of the family. She stated the house was locked and SHARIF had no key. She said an officer advised them to enter the house or else leave the premises in view of the fact the press was there with numerous spectators. She said SHARIF did not want to leave as it would cause great concern to his mother.

She said an officer lifted her up so that she could enter a side window which was found to be unlocked. She then went to the back door and let SHARIF and ANTOINETTE into the house. They immediately drew the shades in the house. She stated that within a few minutes two women arrived at the house and SHARIF let them in as they were friends of the SIRHAN family. She said that ANTOINETTE knew both of the women she let in through the back door of the house. She said that the telephone rang many times with both crank calls and calls from sympathetic people. She said she became very upset with the environment of the confusion and drawn shades. She said she took ANTOINETTE's car and drove her son back to her own apartment, as he had been with her all afternoon. She stated that

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she obtained a babysitter in her apartment house to care for her son and then she returned to the SIRHAN residence in Pasadena.

COREY stated that ANTOINETTE was in the SIRHAN house alone when COREY returned. She said a policeman told her to drive around the block and park on Ladera Street and he would see that ANTOINETTE would meet her there. She said they then drove over to friends of the SIRHAN family on Sacramento Street, address not recalled. She said that when they arrived there, two patrol cars were parked on the same block near the house where the SIRHANS were staying. She said that SHARIF came out of the house to tell them that ADEL and his mother were in the house being questioned by detectives and that we should not come in the house. ANTOINETTE asked SHARIF to have ADEL call her if he wanted to do so.

COREY stated they then drove to a drive-in nearby in Pasadena and had dinner. She said that following dinner they drove back to ANTOINETTE's apartment and arrived there about 9:00 p.m. She said that about 10:00 p.m. three plain-clothes policemen knocked at the door and were let in. She said they searched ANTOINETTE, NABIL, the maid NELLIE BIANCA, and herself for weapons and placed them under arrest for attempted murder. She said they exhibited badges but no other identification card. She said that she gave them somewhat of a bad time until they had exhibited an identification card. She said that a little later on two other detectives in business suits came into the apartment. The first three officers took ANTOINETTE, NABIL and COREY to the Rampart Division while the other two detectives stayed to search the apartment. The maid, NELLIE, remained to care for ANTOINETTE's child.

COREY stated that they were questioned at the Rampart Division but were never booked on any charge. She stated they were fingerprinted and photographed and then returned to their apartment.

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On July 1, 1968, JESSE KARADSHEH, 5741 Carlton Street, Apartment 210, Los Angeles, was contacted at his employment at Adray's Wholesale Company, 7266 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles. KARADSHEH stated he was one of the former owners of Shakers Oasis Bar, 6756 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, and knew ADEL SIRHAN, since he used to entertain at the bar; however, KARADSHEH first denied knowing SIRHAN SIRHAN. He then admitted he had met him on one or two occasions when he came to the bar to meet his brother ADEL, but stated he did not know him well, and had never had a conversation with him. He stated he knew nothing about SIRHAN's political or social beliefs, and could think of no other close friends or acquaintances of SIRHAN's other than ALI KALLA, the other owner of the bar.

KARADSHEH volunteered that one MAHOUD SIYAM, who was at one time a bartender at the Fez night club had been a friend of SIRHAN's and used to meet him occasionally at the race track. He did not know the address or present employment of SIYAM.

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Date 7/3/68

On July 2, 1968, Mr. MAROUN MANSOUR, Apartment 116, 1736 North Sycamore Street, Los Angeles, advised he was a friend of JESSE KARADSHEH, one of the former owners of the Shakers Oasis bar, 6756 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles. As a result, MANSOUR said he was acquainted with ADEL SIRHAN, who used to entertain by playing a musical instrument called the oud at this bar, and later at a bar called the Fez. MANSOUR denied knowing SIRHAN SIRHAN. He said one day, he and a friend were shopping for groceries on Hollywood Boulevard, and were speaking Arabic. SIRHAN SIRHAN was in the market, approached them and introduced himself, as he recognized the language. MANSOUR eventually learned in the conversation that SIRHAN was the brother of ADEL SIRHAN, but stated he had never seen SIRHAN before or since, and had never met any other members of the family. MANSOUR stated he could not comment on the probable motive of SIRHAN in shooting Senator KENNEDY, and knew no other friends of SIRHAN's.

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PETER FELLMAN, 4358 Franklin Avenue, Los Angeles, advised he knew SIRHAN SIRHAN slightly, and met him in the Shakers Oasis Bar, 6756 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, where his brother ADEL SIRHAN worked. The bar was owned by ALI KALLA and JESSE KARADSHEH. FELLMAN said that a friend of KARADSHEH's, MONSEUR MAROON was also acquainted with SIRHAN.

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On July 1, 1968, ALI KALLA, 1750 North Sycamore Street, Apartment 308, Los Angeles, was interviewed at his employment as operator of the Texaco Service Station, 1400 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles. He stated he had been one of the owners of the Shakers Oasis Bar at 6756 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, and while this was in operation, ADEL SIRHAN had worked for him as an entertainer, playing a musical instrument, and sometimes tending bar. KALLA said SIRHAN never came to the bar to drink or watch the entertainment, but would periodically stop by as the bar was closing to visit ADEL. KALLA said a group which included JESSE KARADSHEH and MAROON MANSOUR would then go out for breakfast and talk. KALLA said SIRHAN was always quiet and reserved, and had very little to say. He was pleasant, but did not talk much. KALLA said the group never discussed politics or the situation in the Middle East, since they all thought much the same way on the subject, and there was no point in discussing it. He stated the common belief of all the Arabs of his acquaintance was that a great injustice had been done the Arabs by the formation of the State of Israel, and all were bitter about the expropriation of their land and property and their expatriation. He said it was such a common belief that it was very rarely discussed unless an outsider wanted to discuss it.

KALLA stated that to his knowledge, SIRHAN never associated regularly with other Arabs, but came to the club to meet his brother. He said SIRHAN never talked about any Arab groups or clubs, including student groups, to his knowledge.

KALLA stated he and other friends would occasionally meet SIRHAN at the race track, wherever he happened to be, in the hope of getting tips on the races. He said another man who appeared to know SIRHAN fairly well through the race track was one MAHOUD SIYAM, commonly known as MIKE. He stated he did not have SIYAM's address, but would get his telephone number at home and furnish it at a later date.

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KALLA stated he had met all members of the SIRHAN family, including Mrs. SIRHAN, on one or two occasions, excepting a brother whose name he did not know, who reportedly lives in New York City. He said he did not meet socially with the family, but had met them casually, and could state nothing further concerning them.

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SIMONE E. SIMANN, Owner and Operator, Shell Service Station, Avenue 26 and Figueroa Street, Highland Park, California, furnished the following information:

He is not acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN, however, he does know ADEL SIRHAN, the brother of SIRHAN SIRHAN, inasmuch as ADEL would stop by the trucking business SIMANN briefly operated in Pasadena during 1961. This was shortly after SIMANN arrived in this country from Jordan and he and ADEL have maintained a casual acquaintanceship to this day.

SIMANN recalls seeing ADEL SIRHAN in the Fez Restaurant, Hollywood, approximately five days before the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. At that time, ADEL SIRHAN was dining in the company of four or five other Arabs, none of whom were known by SIMANN, and SIMANN overheard ADEL bitterly complaining about the support for Israel Senator KENNEDY had expressed during the Oregon primary. ADEL was upset that Senator KENNEDY was cultivating the Jewish vote in the United States, however, SIMANN did not hear ADEL SIRHAN threaten Senator KENNEDY in any manner.

SIMANN is of the opinion that ADEL was exasperated with Senator KENNEDY and may have passed some of this bitterness to his younger brother, SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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Date 7/16/68

PHYLLIS HAZEL YOUNG, who resides at 14414 Addison Street, apartment 1, advised that she began working as a cocktail waitress at the Fez Restaurant on Vermont in Los Angeles, in August 1965. She advised that this was when she first met ADEL SIRHAN, the brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. He stated that ADEL was working at the Fez as a musician at that time.

YOUNG advised that ADEL became a good friend of hers and that he used to take her home after work quite often, out for breakfast and on other social engagements. She stated that approximately one year after having met ADEL, he introduced her to one of his brother's, who was at the Fez Restaurant, and to her recollection this brother was SIRHAN. She stated that she saw this individual about two more times, each time at the Fez Restaurant. The last time was approximately April 1968.

YOUNG advised that during the time she knew ADEL, she never had any occasion to discuss politics with him and she never heard him express any anti-American or anti-rich sentiments. She stated that she knew ADEL to be a kind, generous person and thought a great deal of him.

She said that in her few encounters with ADEL's brother, SIRHAN, her conversations were always short and very light, never discussing anything such as politics or ideologies. She stated that she never remembers his brother to display any sign of temper or violence in her presence.

She stated that she left the employ of the Fez Restaurant earlier this year inasmuch as she was of a Jewish background and she did not wish to put up with some of the comments or insults of some of the Arab patrons of the restaurant. She said that the upper floor of the Fez Restaurant was a very pro-Arab nationalist environment. On the night that Senator KENNEDY was assassinated, several of the individuals there, whom she did not know by name, indicated that they were glad that the "Jewish lover" was dead. She stated also that she sensed, among many of the Arab people at the Fez, the strong feeling of anti-Americanism.

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YOUNG advised that she has not seen ADEL SIRHAN since she left the Fez and that she has never met any other member of his family.

She is described as a white female, born at New York City, New York, 5'2", 155 pounds, hazel eyes, and black hair.

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BACKGROUND CONCERNING
SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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Dr. IRVIN G. LEWIS, Administrative Dean for Student Personnel Services, Pasadena City College advised that he recalled the incident in July 1967 involving SIRHAN SIRHAN attempting to apply for a job which was offered through the Distributive Education and Placement Service at the college. Dr. LEWIS stated that he had not remembered the matter during prior interviews because of the number of students with whom he deals. Dr. LEWIS stated that he first became involved when SIRHAN went to the office of the President at the college to make a complaint, but that SIRHAN was referred to his office because the Placement Service had been placed under his supervision about a month earlier. Dr. LEWIS stated that he could not really remember the particulars of the meeting but that he did have SIRHAN fill out a second application card and then sent SIRHAN back to the employment office. Dr. LEWIS stated that he believed he had telephoned the office suggesting that they give SIRHAN the job information SIRHAN requested, even though SIRHAN did not meet the requirements for educational background or physical requirements.

Dr. LEWIS stated that he kept a journal from day to day noting matters out of the ordinary which arise. Dr. LEWIS referred to this journal, where under the date July 24, 1967, was the notation:

"saw SIRHAN - noted job 604, Retail Management Trainee, Permanent Resident Visa, Dr. LEWIS okay to Re apply for job-113C".

Dr. LEWIS stated that each job opening is given a number, which is probably reflected by "job 604." He further stated that "Permanent Resident Visa" is probably a reference to the fact that when foreign students apply for positions the number of hours they can work are limited by their type of visa and therefore SIRHAN would have had to been asked what his status was for this reason.

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Dr. LEWIS further advised that 113C is the room where the employment office was in July of 1967.

Dr. LEWIS furnished copies of the information card which SIRHAN SIRHAN had partially completed.

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6/27/68

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Mrs. JEANNE S. HERRICK, Employment Interviewer, Pasadena City College, who resides at 1160 Coronet Street, Pasadena, California, advised that in late July of 1967, SIRHAN SIRHAN had come to the Employment Center at Pasadena City College inquiring about a specific employment opening which had been listed on the bulletin board at the employment center. Mrs. HERRICK stated she told SIRHAN that he had to fill out an information card and return the following day for an interview. Mrs. HERRICK stated that SIRHAN then stated he would not fill out the information card but that she should just tell him where the job was and he would go apply. She advised that she was able to get SIRHAN to fill out one or two blanks on the card and had inquired as to his immigration status to determine whether he would need a work permit. Mrs. HERRICK advised that SIRHAN then stated that he would talk to the college president about this matter and left the office. Mrs. HERRICK stated that SIRHAN later returned with a completed information card. Mrs. HERRICK stated that Dr. IRVIN LEWIS told her that he had talked to SIRHAN and told her to give SIRHAN the job information to avoid any other disturbance. Mrs. HERRICK stated that on her second meeting with SIRHAN, he was more cooperative and gave her further information.

Mrs. HERRICK stated that SIRHAN had been interested in a management trainee job with Safeway Stores, Incorporated but that their requirements called for a four-year college degree and a minimum height of 5'8" and a minimum weight which she could not recall, but that SIRHAN obviously did not fit. Mrs. HERRICK stated that SIRHAN had told her he was a jockey and when asked why he was changing jobs he stated that he had had an accident and wanted another type of work.

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She stated she gave SIRHAN the address of Safeway Stores, Incorporated and thought he was going to leave. She stated that SIRHAN then demanded that the information card be given to him or destroyed. She advised that this was against school policy and asked Mr. FRANCIS MC CREERY, her supervisor, what she should do. She stated that MC CREERY told her to give him the card and let him be on his way. She stated that she then gave SIRHAN the card at which time he tore it up into many small pieces and threw it in the waste basket. She stated SIRHAN then told her, "This will teach you to never under estimate a jockey." She advised that SIRHAN then left.

Mrs. HERRICK stated that the card SIRHAN tore up was the second card, which he had filled out completely. She stated that she later wrote on the first card, which was incomplete, some of the information she could recall so she would have a record of the incident.

Mrs. HERRICK advised that she had remembered the incident after she saw SIRHAN's picture and name in the newspaper.

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Mr. FRANCIS MC CREERY, Associate Professor, Supervisor Distributive Education and Placement, Pasadena City College, who resides at 255 West La Verne Avenue, Pomona, California, advised that JEANNE HERRICK, one of his office interviewers, had brought to his attention an incident which had occurred with SIRHAN SIRHAN in July of 1967. MC CREERY stated that he had just taken over his duties in Distributive Education at that time and that Dr. LEWIS, Administrative Dean for Student Personnel Services, had been in charge just prior. MC CREERY stated that SIRHAN had come to the office apparently seeking a specific job that had been listed on the placement bulletin board. MC CREERY advised that a receptionist had guided SIRHAN to Mrs. JEANNE HERRICK who interviews persons seeking full time employment.

MC CREERY stated that he came in contact with SIRHAN when he apparently would not give information to Mrs. HERRICK that is required to finish the application form. MC CREERY stated that SIRHAN was then brought to his office and the situation was then explained to him. MC CREERY stated that SIRHAN told him that Mrs. HERRICK would not tell him where a specific job was and that she did not want to give him a job because he was a "damn" foreigner. MC CREERY stated that SIRHAN did not give him an opportunity to explain the problem involved and that after making his statement SIRHAN left the office.

MC CREERY stated that he then conferred with Mrs. HERRICK and she had explained to him that SIRHAN had come into the office seeking a job offered by Safeway Stores for a management trainee. MC CREERY advised that Mrs. HERRICK then requested that SIRHAN fill out an application form but that SIRHAN only put down a minimum of information. MC CREERY stated that according to Mrs. HERRICK, SIRHAN became very adamant and demanded to know about the job. MC CREERY further stated that according to Mrs. HERRICK, SIRHAN then wanted the employment card back but was refused by her. MC CREERY stated that it is the office policy that all records are kept

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by the office once someone has stated an intent to take a job, so that when an employer interviews a student it can be determined whether the student was a referral. . This acts as a means to determine the effectiveness of the program.

MC CREERY stated that when SIRHAN returned from Dr. LEWIS's office and then requested the information card it was given to SIRHAN to avoid any further incident particularly since it appeared that SIRHAN would not go to the job.

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On June 21, 1968, Mr. NORWOOD JAQUA, Physical Education instructor, Pasadena, California, City College, was telephonically contacted to make an appointment to interview him concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN, who had been enrolled in Mr. JAQUA's class in golf instruction in the Spring and Fall semesters, 1964. Mr. JAQUA stated he had checked his records and was aware SIRHAN had been in his class, but could only presume SIRHAN had dropped his class, as he could not recall SIRHAN, and did not recognize him at all from his photographs in the newspapers. He stated he knew no one else who might know SIRHAN.

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On July 16, 1968, SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR. interviewed Mr. JOHN H. WALKER, 4421 Southwestern Boulevard, Dallas, Texas, who is temporarily visiting his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. C. HENDERSON, at that address.

Mr. WALKER stated that he served as an English Professor at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, in 1965. He said that he is unable to recall SIRHAN SIRHAN as a student in his class while he was teaching at the college. Mr. WALKER said that he believed SIRHAN may have been a drop-out in his class, otherwise he would have remembered him. WALKER said that approximately one third of his class were drop-outs, and SIRHAN may have been among the group. WALKER examined records and papers which he has in storage for any record of SIRHAN with negative results.

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Mr. TONY LINEHAN, Director of Athletics, Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, advised he had no knowledge concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN and never had any contact with him as a student or otherwise. Mr. LINEHAN stated he had talked to a student named RUDY M. FORDHAM who told him he had seen SIRHAN on the campus of the college on June 4, 1968, and FORDHAM might be able to shed some light on the matter.

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1Date 7/10/68

Dr. JEROME WOLF, 740 North Dillon, Silverlake, California, advised that he was a History instructor at Pasadena City College. Dr. WOLF stated that he did not remember SIRHAN SIRHAN being in his class during 1965. Dr. WOLF advised he had been contacted by the Los Angeles Police Department, but had been unable to furnish them any firsthand information in regard to SIRHAN.

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TED BANKS, 3184 Cadillac Drive, Apartment 7,
advised as follows:

He stated that he is presently employed as an instructor in physical education and assistant track and field coach at San Jose State College, San Jose. He stated that he will be leaving this position in the near future to take up similar duties at Mc Gill High School, Spring Valley district, San Diego, California.

Mr. BANKS was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN. He stated that the photograph is familiar to him and added that he believes he had SIRHAN in a track and field class at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California during 1965. He stated that SIRHAN was a fair athlete, he did not attend classes regularly and received either a "D" or a failing grade in the class. He stated that SIRHAN was a difficult young man to understand, not as a result of any language problem, but simply because he did not converse or open up with either his classmates or the instructor. Mr. BANKS stated that he has no other information concerning SIRHAN's general background or his political and nationalistic tendencies. He advised that he has not seen this individual since 1965.

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by SA WILLIAM N. KIDWELL, JR. :kwa Date dictated 6/18/68

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1Date 6/28/68

Dr. NATALIE GUNKEL, 905 S. W. 15th Street, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida advised that she taught German at Muir High School, Pasadena, California from September, 1960 to June, 1961.

She stated she does not recall SIRHAN SIRHAN as being a former student, and was unable to identify his photograph. She advised she had seen pictures of SIRHAN in newspapers and magazines, but did not associate him as having been a former student of hers.

She continued that even if she could recall SIRHAN, she would have no information regarding any background nationalistic tendencies he might have possessed.

She reiterated she could not recall SIRHAN, and could furnish no information whatsoever concerning him.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date July 9, 1968

Mr. CARL R. HEDEEN, Route 2, Box 291, Suttons Bay, telephone 271-3703, related the following information:

He is a retired school teacher from Pasadena, California and he served as Chairman of the Foreign Language Department in the Pasadena School System and also taught at the John Muir High School there. He recalls SIRHAN SIRHAN as a student in his classroom and was of the opinion it was the Spanish class. Mr. HEDEEN was not sure of this and said that he had called the Pasadena School System to verify this information; however, ascertained that all school records had been subpoenaed. He related that to the best of his knowledge SIRHAN was a student of his for approximately one year in the early 1960s. This individual was very proud of the fact that he was an Arab and had strong nationalistic feelings.

He related that SIRHAN got along well with the other students, was somewhat reserved but was always cooperative and friendly. He said that SIRHAN was a good student, did his homework faithfully, and his entire impression of him was very favorable.

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1Date 6/26/68

Mrs. PATRICIA T. BLAKESLEE, 16761 Lassen Street, Sepulveda, California, telephone 363-9337, was telephonically contacted to arrange an appointment for an interview concerning her possible knowledge of a Mr. SIRHAN SIRHAN. SIRHAN is listed in records at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, as a former student in a Psychology class taught by Mrs. BLAKESLEE in the fall of 1964.

Mrs. BLAKESLEE said that she had been advised by her husband, Mr. R. C. BLAKESLEE, that a Special Agent of the FBI had attempted to contact her on June 21, 1968, at which time she was on a vacation tour. Mrs. BLAKESLEE stated that she has tried to recall a student named SIRHAN SIRHAN but she has no recollection at all of SIRHAN. Mrs. BLAKESLEE said that she had several large Psychology classes during that period of time (1964) and, if SIRHAN was a student, it must have been for a limited or short period of time since she has no recollection of him at all.

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1Date 7/12/68

Mr. JOSEPH P. ZERONIAN, 1164 Wellington Avenue, Pasadena (795-2834), was contacted at his employment at the Pasadena Education Center, 351 South Hudson Avenue, where he is a consultant in Social Science.

He stated he had been a teacher at John Muir High School, Pasadena, and taught 12th grade English Essentials to SIRHAN SIRHAN in 1963. He stated he remembered SIRHAN as a student and considered him to be polite and quiet. ZERONIAN stated he was of Armenian background and as a result used to have discussions with SIRHAN about the Middle East. He stated the discussions were not provocative and SIRHAN evinced no particularly strong feelings concerning the area, but instead just general interest, because this was the area of his origin. ZERONIAN stated SIRHAN had never even told him the country in which he was born. ZERONIAN stated it had been his general experience as a teacher that students from the Middle East were rather dogmatic and opinionated in their views, and would not have been surprised had SIRHAN been the same. ZERONIAN stated he would not have remembered SIRHAN except for the fact he was from the Middle East and that his first and last names were the same. He stated SIRHAN was not the type of person you would notice in a class. ZERONIAN also stated the English class, he taught SIRHAN, was a make-up type of English class and as a result he was surprised by references in the newspaper to the effect that SIRHAN was supposedly very bright and intellectual. ZERONIAN recalled SIRHAN appeared to be somewhat of a loner and he rarely saw him associating with other students. ZERONIAN could not furnish an opinion as to why SIRHAN SIRHAN shot Senator KENNEDY and stated he knew nothing else concerning him.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/27/68

Mr. DALE ROBERTSON, television and film actor, 10801 Winnetka Avenue, Chatsworth, California, furnished the following information:

In connection with his breeding of horses, Mr. ROBERTSON said that he had, in the past, stabled some of his horses at the Corona Breeding Farm at Corona, California, owned by actor DESI ARNAZ. ROBERTSON has also stabled horses at the Futura Farms, which is located near Lake View, California, which is between Riverside and Hemet.

Mr. ROBERTSON had not employed any exercise boy and had no recollection of ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN, who had been charged with shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He mentioned he had been contacted by a representative of "Life" magazine on June 10, 1968, who claimed to be doing a story on SIRHAN SIRHAN. Further, the latter alleged that SIRHAN SIRHAN had approached DALE ROBERTSON one time during a public horse sale and had asked ROBERTSON for a job.

Mr. ROBERTSON claimed that he had no recollection whatsoever of SIRHAN SIRHAN asking him for a job; in fact, only one young man, SHAWN CORBETT, had asked him for a job under similar circumstances and he had hired this young man who was still in his employ. He mentioned that in stabling his horses at the aforementioned farm he paid a flat fee and did not have anything to do with the hiring of any personnel who may have been employed at those farms.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/17/68

Mrs. LOU ROBERTSON, 10801 Winnetka, Chatsworth, California, phone 360-4947, on June 11, 1968, advised the following by phone when she was contacted seeking an appointment with her husband, DALE ROBERTSON, Television Actor, who reportedly kept horses at the Granja Vista Del Rio, Corona, California, where SIRHAN SIRHAN, who is charged with shooting Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, reportedly worked as an exercise boy.

Mr. ROBERTSON was en route to Lake Tahoe and was to return June 14, 1968 p.m. On June 10, 1968, a representative of "Life" magazine called and talked to DALE regarding any knowledge DALE may have had of SIRHAN. DALE informed the representative he did not know SIRHAN, had never employed him as a horse exercise boy or otherwise. Further, having observed numerous pictures of SIRHAN on television and in the press, had not indicated any recognition of SIRHAN whatsoever.

Mrs. ROBERTSON said she had handled the bookkeeping on DALE's horse operations and that he had stabled horses at the above horse ranch at Corona and she was sure DALE had never hired SIRHAN and she was sure she had never had any knowledge of SIRHAN until he was recently charged with shooting Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 6/20/68

CHERYLE PIERCE 1963 Oak Street, San Francisco, came to the San Francisco Office of the FBI on June 20, 1968 at which time she advised that she knew SIRHAN SIRHAN as a co-worker at Mr. Weidner Health Food Stores in Monterey Park, California, during the four or six week period of her employment during January to February, 1968.

Miss PIERCE said that she only worked on Sundays and that her knowledge and contact with SIRHAN was limited to that of a fellow employee. She stated that SIRHAN was a conscientious worker. He had no visits by personal friends. He never discussed political matters with her and did not engage in any philosophical discussion. She did not observe any sign of mental instability and thought that he was of Mexican ancestry.

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by SA EDWARD J. O'FLYNN /lw Date dictated 6/20/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/5/681

MARIA GIROUARD, 731 $\frac{1}{2}$ Fairview Avenue, Arcadia, California, furnished the following information:

She advised that she had been employed part-time from 1962 until mid-April, 1968, at the Monterey Nutrition Store and to a lesser extent at Organic Pasadena, both stores owned by Mr. WIDENER. She advised that through this employment, she met SIRHAN SIRHAN, whom she knew as "Saul", shortly before Christmas, 1967. SIRHAN was employed at Organic Pasadena and was principally involved in making deliveries to the various other healthfood stores which Mr. WIDENER owned.

Mrs. GIROUARD stated that ~~her~~ contacts with SIRHAN were generally of short duration and just during the course of their work. She advised that their conversation was principally concerned with the work, however, he did once say that he had been an exercise boy for race horses and since Mrs. GIROUARD's husband had been involved with horses for many years, they thereafter talked about horses and horse racing. She said that at no time did SIRHAN ever get into any discussion with her of a political nature.

Mrs. GIROUARD stated that due to the considerable differences in their ages, she was not aware of any associates which SIRHAN may have had. She stated that she did not believe that SIRHAN was at all close with anyone at the store. She stated that he was probably the most friendly with Mr. WIDENER.

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by SA DONALD E. GODFREY and SA WAYNE L. BOURQUE/DEG/rem - 544 - Date dictated 7/3/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date July 11, 1968

MISCH A. TENNEY, interviewed at his residence, Trailer lot #123, Arlington Park Race Track, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Mr. TENNEY was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the investigation being conducted.

Mr. TENNEY advised, concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN's possible employment with Rex Ellsworth-Misch Tenney Thoroughbred Breeding Enterprises, that he had heard reports that SIRHAN had worked for their company. He stated upon receiving this information he caused their files to be thoroughly searched, but stated no record of his employment or application for employment was found. Mr. TENNEY advised SIRHAN SIRHAN is unknown to him, and to the best of his knowledge has never seen or met him.

Mr. TENNEY stated he is not acquainted with the "Peace & Freedom Party of Phoenix, Arizona."

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by SA NELSON E. ROSE AND
SA RICHARD J. ZEDICK/NEB:js Date dictated 7/11/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 11, 1968

Mrs. Ruby Gray, bookkeeper, Rex Ellsworth Ranch, 3985 Schaefer Avenue, advised that she had previously been called by a newspaper reporter regarding the possibility of Sirhan Sirhan having worked for the Rex Ellsworth Ranch in the past. She stated that she had searched the personnel records for the ranch from 1962 through 1968 and could find no record of Sirhan Sirhan ever having been employed by the ranch.

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by SA JAMES E. HOFFER:CM Date dictated 6/11/68

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WALTER THOMAS RATHKE, Groom, who is employed by VERN HUNTER at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, advised on one occasion a very short time after they met, SIRHAN SIRHAN gave RATHKE some literature which consisted of a half dozen pages stapled together from the Rosicrucian Order regarding meditation. RATHKE compared meditation by the Rosicrucian Order to praying in the Christian religion. The only other time the Rosicrucian Order was mentioned was when he saw SIRHAN in Pasadena during June 1967 when SIRHAN stated he no longer belonged to the Rosicrucian Order. SIRHAN stated that due to his accident he did not have any money and could not keep up his dues and "they terminated him." SIRHAN indicated to RATHKE he was unhappy over this. RATHKE stated these were the only two times the Rosicrucian Order was mentioned by SIRHAN and they never discussed the Rosicrucian Order as such regarding its philosophies or aims.

RATHKE stated the Theosophical Society is a world-wide organization with world headquarters in Adyar, Madras, India and the United States headquarters in Wheaton, Illinois where the society also has a publishing house.

RATHKE stated aims of the society are to build the idea of the brotherhood of man without regard to color, sex or religion and to further the study and research of all philosophies of religion. The society is made up of individuals of all religions and at meetings the members discuss their various religions and philosophies.

From newspapers, television or radio broadcasts, RATHKE learned SIRHAN had requested books written by Madam BLAVOTSKY (Phonetic), C.W. LEADBEATER (Phonetic) both of whom have written books for the Theosophical Society and both of whom are now deceased. Madam BLAVOTSKY was born in Russia and moved to New York City where she became a co-founder of the society and LEADBEATER was a Bishop of the Church of England. At this time RATHKE also learned Madam BLAVOTSKY at one time had written a book on the lives of revolutionaries which he had not known before.

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RATHKE stated the Theosophical Society and the Rosicrucian Order have nothing in common. He described the Rosicrucian Order as a mystic or occult-type organization which directs its followers while the Theosophical Society's only purpose is the brotherhood of man.

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Date June 8, 1968

Dr. Paul Nilsson, 824 South Main, Corona, California, advised he recalled Sirhan Sirhan coming to his office for an eye examination and possible treatment. His office records reflect he first saw him on November 8, 1966. From his office record Dr. Nilsson noted that the examination showed Sirhan Sirhan to have 20-20 vision, and there seemed to be no impairment of his peripheral vision.

Dr. Nilsson recalled that Sirhan was not satisfied with the examination and requested further action. Dr. Nilsson advised that since he is the senior doctor in the office and did not prefer to deal with any problems, he referred Sirhan to his partner, Dr. Milton Miller.

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Date 6/21/68

THOMAS DANIEL GOOD, 22 South 11th Street, San Jose, California 95112, was interviewed in the San Francisco Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, on June 14, 1968. GOOD voluntarily appeared accompanied by his attorney, AUBREY GROSSMAN, who was present during the interview.

GOOD related that he is unemployed and is a student at San Jose State College, San Jose, California. His parents are ROSCOE WAYNE and INEZ GOOD, who reside at 1364 Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, California 91104. He was born on [REDACTED], at Altadena, California.

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GOOD furnished the following information concerning the individual whose photograph appeared in local newspapers, identified as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, reported assassin of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY:

He first met this individual at John Muir High School, Pasadena California, in what he recalls to have been the 1962-63 school year when he was in the 11th grade. This individual was known to him only as SIRHAN, with no other names recalled. He believes he first heard of SIRHAN at Social Science class during a discussion on the question of politics. During this discussion some student suggested that he felt they should hear from SIRHAN on his views since the discussion, as recalled by GOOD, involved the Middle East. He thereafter became an acquaintance of SIRHAN and never did consider him what he would term a friend. He thereafter visited in SIRHAN's home on approximately three occasions, and on one occasion SIRHAN visited in GOOD's home. GOOD recalled that he went on a picnic with SIRHAN's mother and a sister who is now deceased. Also present at this picnic were a Mrs. HAYWARD, address unknown, and some members of her family. Mrs. HAYWARD reportedly knew Mrs. SIRHAN from church attendance, and he recalled that Mrs. HAYWARD was also a friend of his parents.

As GOOD recalls, he last saw SIRHAN in 1964. He remembers SIRHAN as a student at Pasadena City College for at least one semester during the time GOOD attended from the Fall of 1963 until

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July, 1965. GOOD was a member of the Young Democrats at Pasadena City College. He was unaware of any other political organizations and does not know what groups or organizations SIRHAN belonged to, if any. He recalled that SIRHAN had some contact with other Arab students but he had no knowledge if there was any formal group or organization among such students. He stated there was a large group of Arab students attending Pasadena City College at that time. GOOD stated he was unable to furnish any information concerning SIRHAN's political views but recalled him as being very anti-Israel. He was aware that SIRHAN came from Palestine and attributed his feeling toward Israel to his national origin.

GOOD is acquainted with one WALTER CROWE and recalled that CROWE was a friend of SIRHAN. He related that CROWE met SIRHAN when the latter first came to the United States. CROWE also attended elementary school with SIRHAN and later John Muir High School. He stated that he knew of no contacts between CROWE and SIRHAN outside the context of the school. CROWE mentioned SIRHAN to GOOD on more than one occasion but never commented on the political beliefs of SIRHAN.

GOOD related that he never heard SIRHAN express his feelings regarding the KENNEDY family or any other Government official. He stated that he recalled the reactions of numerous friends to the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY but does not recall the reaction of SIRHAN to this event. He stated there was nothing in his acquaintance with SIRHAN on which he could base any motive for his action in this case. He recalled SIRHAN as a very distant individual, no matter how friendly one became with him. He recalled him as an individual who seemed to be alienated from people in general, even from other Arabs, and WALTER CROWE appeared to be his only friend and this friendship was not a close one. He stated he never detected any strain of violence in SIRHAN, but, to the contrary, remembered once when he was visiting in the SIRHAN home there was a deaf-mute or blind girl also present and SIRHAN seemed very gentle to her.

GOOD related that of the many Arab students who attended Pasadena State College with whom he was acquainted, SIRHAN had stronger ideas of Arab nationalism than any of the others.

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On June 11, 1968, ANWAR MUSA SAYEGH, a student at Pasadena City College, who was with SIRHAN SIRHAN between 6:30 PM and 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 4, 1968, advised that one IVAN (Last Name Unknown) was acquainted with SIRHAN.

On June 20, 1968, IVAN GARCIA was contacted at his employment in Pasadena, California, and furnished information concerning his acquaintance with SIRHAN.

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1Date 7/23/68

Mrs. ERNESTINE GARCIA, 452 North Hill Street, Pasadena, California, mother of IVAN GARCIA, friend of SIRHAN SIRHAN, was contacted at her employment as an accountant at the Los Angeles Drug Company, 5001 Earle Street, Rosemead, California. Mrs. GARCIA stated she knew SIRHAN slightly during the time IVAN GARCIA was attending Pasadena City College with SIRHAN. She said he had visited at her house on perhaps a half dozen occasions, however, he primarily visited her son, and she had no lengthy conversations with him. She said they never discussed his political or philosophical views. She said she was aware that SIRHAN had tried to become a jockey and got the impression that SIRHAN was possibly self-conscious of his small stature, and understood he may have received counseling that he should try to become a jockey. She said the last time she saw him, he had been injured in a fall from a horse and appeared quite discouraged and frustrated, and indicated he probably would not become a jockey but would remain an exercise boy. Mrs. GARCIA said she could not recall when this occurred but believed she last saw SIRHAN about two years ago.

Mrs. GARCIA stated she had never met any other members of SIRHAN's family and knew nothing further concerning him, excepting she always considered him to be very polite and very quiet.

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On June 20, 1968, IVAN GARCIA, who refused to furnish his home address, was contacted at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California. He stated he was regularly employed from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on weekdays, and on Saturdays and Sundays at Allied Auto Parts, 1060 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena (793-1893), and could be contacted through his employment if necessary. He stated his mother was highly nervous and did not want her disturbed.

GARCIA stated he was a national of Guatemala. He stated he had known SIRHAN SIRHAN for approximately four years, having met him in class at Pasadena City College. GARCIA stated he had visited SIRHAN's home and had dinner there, had met ADEL SIRHAN and SIRHAN's mother, all of whom he regarded highly.

He stated he considered SIRHAN to be extremely polite, sensitive and thoughtful. He stated he thought SIRHAN's generosity and unselfishness toward his friends was very unusual, and was his most outstanding virtue. He said SIRHAN would do everything to make a guest or friend comfortable and at ease, and usually insisted upon paying bills wherever he went with friends, although he did not have a particularly large sum of money at any time.

GARCIA stated he and SIRHAN did not discuss politics, partly because GARCIA did not like to discuss them, and partly because his and SIRHAN's interests were more scholastic and social. SIRHAN did not appear to be particularly aware of any political party, was not interested in groups or being a leader, and was not openly fanatical about politics. He said SIRHAN was highly individualistic in his ideas, and did not follow the crowd or fads.

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SIRHAN never discussed Senator KENNEDY, the Arab-Israeli dispute, or racial recriminations which might have arisen out of such a dispute. The closest SIRHAN ever came to discussing anything racial was when he discussed the possibility of his becoming a jockey, which he desired very greatly, probably because of his size and the possibility of being a success in this endeavor. SIRHAN stated that many of the people for whom he would work as a trainer were of Jewish background, and SIRHAN felt that his advancement as a jockey might be hampered because of the feelings of Jewish people concerning those of Arab origin.

Regarding women, GARCIA stated SIRHAN did not appear to have a strong interest in them, and never mentioned having dates or other social contact with women. SIRHAN was more idealistic and humanitarian, and seemed to love people in general.

GARCIA stated he did not see SIRHAN on June 4, and stated his contacts with SIRHAN had not been so numerous in recent months because of the different hours each worked, and the fact that SIRHAN was no longer in school.

GARCIA stated SIRHAN had never expressed an interest in firearms, and he had never seen him with a gun of any kind. GARCIA considered a gun foreign to SIRHAN's nature, which appeared to be generally peace loving.

GARCIA stated he had noticed a very definite change in SIRHAN after his accidental fall from a horse. SIRHAN had been much more jovial before the accident, and seemed to be more gloomy and pessimistic about his future afterwards. SIRHAN believed he was through as a jockey, and did not seem so ambitious after the accident. GARCIA commented upon the monetary settlement SIRHAN had received from his accident, and stated he was sure this was the source of the money SIRHAN had on his person when arrested. He stated that shortly after

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the settlement, and about two weeks prior to the shooting, SIRHAN had come into the auto parts store to buy items for his car. At this time, he had a large roll of bills, including some hundred dollar bills. GARCIA stated SIRHAN liked to bet on horse races, but stated that at that time he had lost too much money, and was no longer betting on races.

GARCIA volunteered the opinion there was no conspiracy on the part of SIRHAN and anyone else, since the whole shooting seemed so poorly planned. He stated he was sure conspirators would have chosen a gun of a larger caliber, and would have tried to arrange a better location and better escape route. Because of the apparent lack of planning, GARCIA believed there was no premeditation on the part of SIRHAN, and believed SIRHAN went to the reception with the gun, and conceived his plan on the spur of the moment.

GARCIA stated that were it not for SIRHAN's apparent action, he would still consider him a good, close friend, whom he respected and admired. GARCIA stated he was puzzled by SIRHAN's action, as he had never known him to violate other laws of any kind.

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Date July 10, 1968

Cadet RICHARD A. HUTTON, Company B, 6th Battalion, 2nd Brigade, U. S. Army Training Center, Fort Benning, Georgia, advised he originally met SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN sometime between September, 1962, and June, 1965, when he was attending Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California. He met SIRHAN through his cousin, BRUCE EDWARD FULTON, who also was a student at the college. To the best of his recollection he met SIRHAN around 1963-64 and had a very casual acquaintance with this man. He has no recollection of talking to him since 1965. He recalls that he was a student at the college but did not have any classes with him. His relationship with SIRHAN was drinking a cup of coffee with him and being involved in "small conversation" concerning campus activities and things of that nature. He had no recollection of ever hearing SIRHAN discuss his nationalistic tendencies, although he knew he was a Jordanian. SIRHAN did not mention his political views, and he can recall nothing that would indicate he was violent in nature or would indicate he was associating with any persons who might advocate violence in any manner.

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1Date 6/21/68

JIM DOANE, 65 North Catalina, Apartment 6, Pasadena, was interviewed at the Mentor Cafe, 40 North Mentor. DOANE stated that he had known SIRHAN SIRHAN while he was in attendance at Pasadena City College. DOANE stated that he knew SIRHAN by sight, but had no real association with him. DOANE advised that BOB COMFORT had known SIRHAN and that COMFORT was going to publish a story about SIRHAN in COMFORT's magazine, "Small Comfort", which is a rather general local publication featuring various writers. DOANE stated that COMFORT worked as bar manager at the Ice House on North Mentor in Pasadena and that he publishes the "Small Comfort" at 18 North Mentor.

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Date 6/24/68

ROBERT G. COMFORT, who resides at 95 North Holliston, Pasadena, California, was interviewed at 18 North Mentor and advised that he was the publisher and editor of a periodical called "Small Comfort" and worked as bar manager at the Ice House located on North Mentor in Pasadena. COMFORT advised he had attended Pasadena City College in the spring of 1964 through 1965. He stated that during this time he had been acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN. COMFORT advised that on occasion SIRHAN would have coffee with a group of students and they would engage in a general conversation. COMFORT advised that during these conversations numerous topics would come up and that he could not specifically recall exact statements of SIRHAN. COMFORT advised that he did remember that SIRHAN had stated a contempt for the idea of Israel but not toward the Jewish people. COMFORT advised that he remembered a Jewish boy being a regular in this group and that SIRHAN never voiced opposition or disdain for this individual. COMFORT stated that it was his impression that SIRHAN did not hold the rich in contempt and that SIRHAN had respect for the idea that persons with ability could acquire material possessions and live better than persons with lesser ability.

COMFORT advised that generally SIRHAN was usually withdrawn and that it appeared that SIRHAN desired to be accepted. COMFORT stated that SIRHAN was not at a loss to express his belief in Arab Nationalism and if the topic came up he would participate. COMFORT stated that on occasion the group would bait SIRHAN because his views on the subject were known by the more frequent members of the coffee group.

COMFORT further advised that SIRHAN did not like the idea of the establishment and the relegation of the individual to being no more than a number. COMFORT further advised that it was his impression that SIRHAN sought to be accepted by this group even to the extent that SIRHAN would sometimes buy coffee for everyone.

COMFORT advised that his only other contact with SIRHAN was when SIRHAN worked for a Richfield Service Station

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in Pasadena and he (COMFORT) would have his car serviced or just stop by to get some free work done.

COMFORT advised that SIRHAN would not probably consider him a friend because their contact was infrequent.

COMFORT advised that in the July 2, 1968, issue of his magazine, "Small Comfort", he intended to print a story about his impressions of SIRHAN SIRHAN and the KENNEDY assassination. COMFORT stated that he had no profound insights to offer and that his purpose in writing was to point out the need for every individual to get involved in current matters so that in the future protests will not take the form of assassins bullets.

COMFORT furnished a copy of his article. COMFORT advised that the following paragraph is the only part which reflects his factual knowledge of SIRHAN:

"I went to school with SIRHAN. We weren't fast friends, but I remember him. We shared no classes, but he often sat at our table during breaks. I sometimes went to the service station where he worked evenings; to scrounge cans of STP for my sickly car, and to talk with him. He was a little guy with the top button on his shirt undone so the hair on his chest stuck out. He was friendly. Eager enough for acceptance that he'd buy coffee for everybody at the table. Maybe not so much for acceptance as the indication of a generous nature--I don't know. He was articulate without being pushy. The only time he raised his voice were the times the Middle East situation was the topic of discussion. He was from a refugee background and was, therefore, considered unfit company by the rest of the Arab students; most of whom were the offspring of monied middle-east establishment parents. He disliked them for their smugness; they

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"rejected him. In our group there was no one who didn't like SIRHAN, but no one who liked him well enough to be his friend. He asked a few girls for dates, but none accepted., 'He's a nice guy,' they'd say when he was gone, 'but I'd feel so funny if I went out with him.' They'd make a small face then or laugh. That's all I knew about him. He thought NASSER was a great man. He hated the ideas of Isreal-- but not the Jew who sat at our table. SIRHAN SIRHAN. He was tiny. He wanted very much to be liked. He was lonely."

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On July 2, 1968, ALLEN YACK, 279 Ohio Street, Apartment 7, Pasadena, California, (799-0702) was contacted at his employment at Ralph's Florist, 28 North Hill Street, Pasadena, (792-9120). YACK stated he knew SIRHAN SIRHAN while both were students at Pasadena City College. He described their relationship as a casual campus relationship, and consisted of talking in a group at the Campus Center, a recreation area on the campus. He said he did not know SIRHAN particularly well, and recalled him as a quiet, reserved man. He said they never discussed political or social philosophies, and he had no idea of SIRHAN's beliefs in this regard. YACK stated, because SIRHAN was so quiet, he never paid any particular attention to him. He stated the only other individuals he knew who knew SIRHAN, were CRAIG BLESS and BRUCE FULTON, whom he knew had advised the FBI that he, YACK, knew SIRHAN. YACK knew nothing concerning SIRHAN's family, and stated he had never seen SIRHAN since he left the college.

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Mrs. ELEANOR JOHNSON, 1255 Morada Place, Altadena, California, was interviewed approximately 10:30 a.m., Sunday June 9, 1968, regarding the present whereabouts of MAJED GUSSOUS. Mrs. JOHNSON had no knowledge of GUSSOUS and indicated that no Arab students had lived at this address since some time prior to her moving to this address in 1964.

In the afternoon of the same date, Mrs. JOHNSON called the FBI, Los Angeles, and asked that the agent who had interviewed her call her back.

On the second contact, Mrs. JOHNSON said that an hour or two after the interview by the agent, two persons, a man and a woman, came to her house. First a man came to the door, but she was not at home, and he left (according to her children). Then a woman, who according to her children was with the man, came to the door alone. Mrs. JOHNSON was home at this time. The woman was dressed in a white nurse's uniform. She was fairly young with dyed blonde hair. She was very nervous. She said her name was TOSTI or TASTI or TOSTO (phonetic). She first said she was a friend of SIRHAN then amended this to say she had worked with him in a health food store at one time. She then said the purpose of her call was to locate ABDEL MAJED BASS, a Jordanian who knew SIRHAN and who used to live at this address. The woman said that she wanted to ask BASS what he knew about SIRHAN. Mrs. JOHNSON thought the woman's behavior was rather strange. Prior to leaving, the woman gave Mrs. JOHNSON a telephone number, SY 8-2719, where she could be reached.

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There is a MELA TOSTI and an ANDREW TOSTI in the Northeast Telephone Directory, but none with the SYcamore number given.

Check of 1966 Pasadena Directory reflects the number SY 8-2719 is currently listed to DONALD BOYKO, 1545 East Mountain in Pasadena. This same listing is carried in the current Northeast Telephone Directory. The 1966 Pasadena Directory shows DONALD BOYKO (wife ELSIE S.). He is shown as an electronics worker. She is separately further listed as Vice President, D-B Products, Inc., and the home address is repeated. D-B Products, Inc., electronics is listed in the Northeast Telephone Directory at 253 North Winedo in Pasadena, telephone 449-3790.

The above investigation was conducted by SA PHILLIP J. REILLY on June 9, 1968, at Altadena, California.

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Specialist IV BRUCE EDWARD FULTON, RA 19878345, Maintenance and Support Division of "Hawk Project", Directorate of Arsenal Support Operations, U. S. Army Missile Command, Redstone, Arsenal, Alabama, was apprised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the investigation. FULTON furnished the following information:

FULTON stated that he is acquainted with SIRHAN BI. SHARA SIRHAN. He advised he first met SIRHAN at the "Student Union Coffee Shop" on the campus at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California about September, 1964. He said that he could not recall the last time that he saw SIRHAN, but it was sometime prior to December 1965, because this is when he (FULTON) left City College. FULTON described his relationship with SIRHAN as a "campus acquaintance" in that he did not socialize with SIRHAN off campus, advising that he did not go to SIRHAN's house, nor did SIRHAN ever come to his house. He advised that his conversations with SIRHAN were usually held in the coffee shop during breaks or between, after or before classes. During these conversations, FULTON recalls discussions of Arab and Israel conflict, at which time SIRHAN had expressed his dissatisfaction with the administration and the newspapers because he believed that they sided with Israel. FULTON described SIRHAN as an introvert and a loner. He advised that SIRHAN never exhibited a tendency towards violence while in his presence. He advised that SIRHAN's reaction was that of an individual who was loyal to his country. FULTON advised that SIRHAN was very devoted to Jordan and it was his, (FULTON's) opinion, based on conversation with SIRHAN, that SIRHAN eventually wanted to return to Jordan.

FULTON said that he is sure that politics were discussed during conversations with SIRHAN but he could not recall SIRHAN'S mentioning his political views, party or specific political candidate.

FULTON denied he commuted to and from college with SIRHAN. He said that he did recall riding on one or two

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occasions, in an old model Cadillac (year and color unknown) owned by SIRHAN but was unable to recall where he went during these rides, with SIRHAN or the circumstances involved. FULTON stated that he enrolled in Pasadena City College in September 1963 and quit college (without a degree) in December 1965. He said that while attending college, he resided at 2446 East Washington Boulevard, Pasadena, California, with his mother, JANE H., and younger brother, DOUGLAS.

FULTON advised that he usually took a bus to and from school although on occasion his cousin, RICHARD HUTTON, would pick him up or drop him off at home. FULTON stated that he did not know where SIRHAN lived.

He said that he recalled that SIRHAN worked at a service station at night while attending college. He could not recall the name of the station but it is located on a main street, one block north of Colorado Street, running parallel to Colorado Street, and east of the front entrance of Pasadena City College. FULTON further advised that he believed that SIRHAN was a member of some type of foreign club (name unknown) on the campus of City College.

FULTON stated that after he quit Pasadena City College, he enlisted in the United States Army and entered on duty February 21, 1966, at Fort Polk, Louisiana for boot camp. He completed his training on April 30, 1966 and then returned home on a fourteen-day leave. He then, after the leave, reported to Redstone Arsenal, where he arrived approximately May 14 and has been there ever since. FULTON advised he was at home on leave from March 6, 1968 through March 18, 1968, his most recent return to California. FULTON said that he did not see or talk to SIRHAN during his leave in 1968 or in 1966.

FULTON stated that usually the conversations with SIRHAN were in the company of other students. FULTON advised that it is possible that the following persons could recall something more specific about SIRHAN:

RICHARD HUTTON of 1495 Paloma Street, Pasadena, California;

ALLEN YACK, 53 South Meredith Street, Pasadena, California;

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Specialist V. HUDSON MOLLOY and wife ANNETTE,
Hawk Project, U. S. Army Missile Command, White Sands,
New Mexico.

FULTON was instructed to give this matter fore-
thought and he was told that he would be contacted for any
further information that he could recall.

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Specialist IV BRUCE EDWARD FULTON, RA 19878345, Maintenance and Support Division of "Hawk Project", Directorate of Arsenal Support Operations, U. S. Army Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, was reinterviewed for the purpose of ascertaining any additional information he may have recalled since the previous interview on June 10, 1968.

FULTON advised that he had given the matter a great deal of thought but it was very difficult for him to remember because it has been almost three years since he last saw SIRHAN.

FULTON stated that he recalled that CRAIG BLISS, a former student at Pasadena City College, was an acquaintance of SIRHAN. He said that BLISS, a Navy veteran, worked as a bartender at night while attending Pasadena City College. FULTON stated he did not know the name of the bar but it is located at the intersection of North Lake Street and Altadena Drive, Altadena, California. FULTON stated that he remembered a pretty girl he believed was a member of the same foreign-type club (name unknown) as SIRHAN. FULTON advised that he did not think that this girl was SIRHAN's girlfriend but just an acquaintance. FULTON said that he believed the girl's name was SONJA (phonetic). He could not recall her last name. FULTON described the pretty young lady as 19 years of age, 5'4", 115 pounds, with black hair and dark complexion, and possibly an Arab.

FULTON advised he could recall no additional information other than what he had just mentioned and the information furnished in the previous interview on June 10, 1968.

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Date June 7, 19681

HUDSON ROLAND MOLLOY, RA [] advised that he is a Specialist 5, assigned with the Army Missile Test and Evaluation Agency, Hawk Project, White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. He related that he attended Pasadena City College near Los Angeles, California, in 1963 and 1964 with SIRHAN SIRHAN. He said that he knew SIRHAN as an average student on the campus who appeared to have no particular ax to grind with respect to the Israeli-Arab situation and did not associate with Arab students but was friendly with everyone. He had no information as to any campus organizations or particular friends, female or otherwise, that this man had but recalled that he rode back and forth to school in SIRHAN's car with one BRUCE FULTON, now a soldier who is a Specialist 4 at Redstone Arsenal, Redstone, Alabama.

He could furnish no other associates by name and was of no further assistance in this case.

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by SA HERBERT F. GREATHOUSE/mcc Date dictated 6/7/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 7, 19681

ANNETTE MOLLOY, also known as Mrs. HUDSON ROLAND MOLLOY, advised that her husband is assigned as a Specialist 5, Army Missile Test and Evaluation Agency, Hawk Project, White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico.

Mrs. MOLLOY stated that she attended Pasadena City College in Los Angeles, California, in 1963 or 1964 and knows that SIRHAN SIRHAN was a student there, but she could furnish no information concerning his background or associates. She stated that she does not know much about him.

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On 6/7/68 at Las Cruces, New Mexico File # AQ 62-1295

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TERRENCE A. FELL, 1103 North Catalina, Pasadena, California, was interviewed at the office of the FBI. FELL said that he is attached to the 115th Group of the U.S. Army and is assigned to Military Intelligence stationed at the Presidio of San Francisco. His residence in the bay area is 400 Canal Street, Apartment 311, San Rafael, California, telephone number 453-6021. His telephone number at the Presidio is 561-3242.

FELL stated that he is acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN, having met him in 1957 when he, SIRHAN, first came to this country with his family. SIRHAN was approximately four years older than the other boys, but was attending the same grade at Longfellow Elementary School at Washington and Catalina Streets in Pasadena.

After leaving the elementary school, FELL said that SIRHAN and he attended different junior high schools, but maintained occasional contact with a mutual friend, DAVOR PEVEC. FELL said PEVEC had much closer contact with SIRHAN as they both were aliens. PEVEC was a Croatian and SIRHAN an Arab.

Concerning PEVEC, FELL said he resides at 1120 North Mentor in Pasadena and attends school at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He works part time for the Market Basket, 1216 North Lake Street, Pasadena, California. He is not aware of the residence address of PEVEC in Santa Barbara, but believes that he possibly may be out of school for this semester.

FELL said that he and SIRHAN attended the same college, Pasadena City College, but did not have any classes together. He said that he believes the last time he saw him was either in 1964 or 1965 and thinks the occasion was when the Shah of Iran was visiting this country. He is not aware of any political inclinations of SIRHAN, except that he was very much interested in the conflicts between the Arab and Israeli nations. He was

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very pro-Arabic and often spoke of going back to his homeland and helping out in the war.

FELL said that he recalls one occasion when they were in either the 6th or 7th grade, when they were playing Monopoly or some other game, that SIRHAN commented how he felt toward the Jewish people. He had apparently seen a close member of his family killed in Jordan and desired to go back some day to his homeland.

FELL said that in 1964 or 1965, when he last saw SIRHAN that FELL's father had the responsibility for the itinerary of the Shah of Iran and is fairly certain that this is the time he saw SIRHAN because he believed that he was going to attend a function or a rally where the Shah was to appear. He is somewhat hazy on this incident but believes that SIRHAN was in support of the Shah.

On one other occasion FELL said that PEVEC told him that SIRHAN did not desire to become a citizen. PEVEC had become a citizen after he had been in this country five years, but apparently SIRHAN did not want to do this, indicating that he someday wanted to return to Jordan.

FELL said he is not aware of any violent nature of SIRHAN, but did say that he seemed to have a "normal Arab temper".

He concluded the interview by saying that PEVEC would have possibly much more current information concerning SIRHAN.

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7/3/68

On June 28, 1968, PALMER LIEN, JR., 1179 Lexington Street, Altadena, California, was contacted at his employment at the Market Basket grocery store, 2270 North Lake Street, Altadena, California. LIEN stated he had been acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN since shortly after he arrived in this country in 1957 or 1958. He stated he was much more closely acquainted with MUNIR SIRHAN, who was his age. He stated the SIRHANS lived about eight houses away from him at this time. He stated he knew SIRHAN when he was in Junior High School and in High School, but stated it was a typical school relationship and not very close. He said he had no social relationship with SIRHAN outside of school, and because of their age, never discussed political ideas or social philosophies. He stated he last saw SIRHAN walking up the street about two weeks prior to the KENNEDY shooting, but merely waved at him. He described SIRHAN as a very quiet person, who was usually at home, studying or reading. He did not appear to have many close friends, and LIEN could not recall anyone else who was very close to SIRHAN.

LIEN volunteered that when he had read in the newspapers that SIRHAN was married in his early teens, he thought he recalled MUNIR having said SIRHAN was married while still in Jordan, and had left his wife there. LIEN stated he was not positive of this, but believed he recalled it as it seemed so strange to him that anyone would be married at the age of twelve or thirteen. He stated he was also sure he had never heard of SIRHAN or any of the SIRHAN children leaving the United States to return to Jordan since he had known them.

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On June 21, 1968, DOUGLAS LAYFIELD was contacted at his residence at 1557 $\frac{1}{2}$ South Arlington Avenue, Los Angeles, California. He stated he was acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, but his acquaintance was very casual, and mainly because of his friendship with WALTER CROWE, JR., whom he stated was more closely acquainted with SIRHAN. He denied knowing SIRHAN well enough to attempt to recruit him into a proposed Students for a Democratic Society chapter being formed on the campus, but stated CROWE might have tried to recruit SIRHAN. LAYFIELD stated the only place he had ever seen SIRHAN was on the campus, and had never met him socially. He stated he started at Pasadena City College in 1963 and attended irregularly on a part-time basis until early 1967, and had still not graduated. LAYFIELD stated he did not know SIRHAN well enough to know he had been injured in a fall from a horse, knew nothing about his personal habits, nationalistic tendencies, or any interest he might have in girls or in guns. He said he did not know the names of any other acquaintances of SIRHAN other than WALTER CROWE. LAYFIELD furnished his home telephone number as 733-0872.

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MUSTAFA ALI SANKARI who resides at 942 North Los Robles, Pasadena, telephone number 797-8093, was interviewed at his place of employment at Burroughs Corporation, 460 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena. SANKARI advised that he was born on [redacted] in Tripoli, Lebanon. He entered the United States at New York on September 9, 1963 and he has not yet become a citizen of the United States. He is described as white male, 5'5", 170 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, small scar on left forehead. On October 7, 1966, he married FAYE WESTBROOK at Pasadena, California.

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SANKARI advised that he attended Pasadena City College beginning in September, 1963 and went for five consecutive semesters, ending with the semester of 1965 - 1966. He stated that he first met SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in the first semester of 1963, and that he had not known him prior to coming to this country and attended Pasadena City College. He stated that he first met SIRHAN because he associated with several Arab students at Pasadena City College inasmuch as he did not speak very much English. He stated that, therefore, SIRHAN was one of the several with whom he associated, due to the language problem that he faced.

He said that at no time did he have any close personal association with SIRHAN and that he considered him just a school acquaintance. However, he advised that he did go to the SIRHAN home one time and met SIRHAN's mother and sister. This was just prior to the time that the sister died. He said that after the first semester of 1963 he did not see very much of SIRHAN, even at school, because SIRHAN seemed to avoid the other Arab students who did not speak English as well as he did. He stated that in his opinion SIRHAN was a very quiet, shy individual who seemed very withdrawn and reserved around others. He stated that he never saw SIRHAN lose his temper and would never have thought him to be an individual of a violent nature. He stated further that after the first semester when he associated with SIRHAN at school, usually at lunch time or over a cup of coffee, that he saw him only to greet him as they passed on the campus. He further added that they

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never discussed any type of politics or ideologies and that inasmuch as he, SANKARI, wanted to improve his English, he avoided discussion of any type with the other Arab students inasmuch as they almost always spoke to him in Arabic, and he wanted to speak English.

He stated that since he left school in 1966 he has seen SIRHAN only one time and that was approximately nine or ten months ago when he saw him on the street in Pasadena and introduced him to his wife. He further stated that other than SIRHAN's mother and sister the only other member of the family he had met was the brother, SHARIF, whom he met at Bob's Drive-in Restaurant in Pasadena on one occasion.

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On June 21, 1968, Mr. GLEN E. CLINE, Dean of Student Personnel Services, Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California advised there was no record of anyone named MUSTAFA SANKARI ever having attended Pasadena City College.

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On June 26, 1968, MICHAEL HAGGERTY, Room 110, Taylor Hotel, 64 West Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California, advised that he saw SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in the Denny's Restaurant, Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, on May 23, 1968, in the company of five other persons not known to him. HAGGERTY stated the other five persons seemed to be of Arab extraction. HAGGERTY stated that he knew SIRHAN B. SIRHAN from school attendance together. He advised that both he and SIRHAN attended John Muir High School in Pasadena and Pasadena City College, in Pasadena, California. HAGGERTY stated that he did not know SIRHAN very well but both of them had been active in student government at Pasadena City College, and he remembers SIRHAN as being bitter over United States support of Israel and that Palestine would still belong to the Arabs if it were not for England and the United States. HAGGERTY advised that SIRHAN had the ambition to become a jockey and felt there was a lot of money in horse racing. He advised he thought it strange when he saw SIRHAN ignore him at Denny's on May 23, 1968. He stated that when he approached SIRHAN's table SIRHAN switched the conversation to Arabic and SIRHAN and his friends left the restaurant without ordering anything to eat.

HAGGERTY was shown photographs of ADEL B. SIRHAN, SHARIF B. SIRHAN, SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN, and MUNIR B. SIRHAN, but he was unable to identify any of them as being the persons who were with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN in Denny's. HAGGERTY advised he would be unable to describe or recognize the persons seen with SIRHAN.

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On June 26, 1968, EDWARD FIBUS, 14023 Oxnard Street, Apartment 5, Van Nuys, California, was interviewed regarding any information he might have pertaining to SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. FIBUS advised that he is employed as a custodian at the Van Nuys Division, Los Angeles Police Department, Van Nuys, California. He stated that his home telephone number is 782-8379.

FIBUS advised that he has little information pertaining to SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. He stated that he had been watching television on the morning of June 5, 1968, when he saw photographs of the person who had been arrested by the Los Angeles Police for the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. FIBUS stated that he recognized the photograph as being a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and that he and SIRHAN SIRHAN had been in the Ninth Grade in school together. FIBUS stated he knew nothing about SIRHAN and his only involvement in this matter was when he telephoned the police and told them of SIRHAN's identification.

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On June 24, 1968, Mrs. BONNIE PITROFF, nee Brabbs, Apartment 4, 752 Shalimar, Costa Mesa, advised that she attended Elliott Junior High School, Altadena, California, in 1959 to 1960, and graduated from that school in 1960. She then attended John Muir High School, Pasadena, California, for just six weeks the following year when she discontinued her studies at that school.

Mrs. PITROFF stated that she does not recall SIRHAN SIRHAN as being a member of her class either at Elliott or John Muir. She said that she recently read an article in "Life Magazine" on the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, which pictured a film strip of some of the students in SIRHAN's class at Elliott. She recognized a picture of one of her classmates and only then did she realize that SIRHAN SIRHAN was in her class. She said that she did not recognize his picture when she first saw it in the newspapers the day Senator KENNEDY was shot.

Mrs. PITROFF stated that she does not recall ever speaking to SIRHAN, does not know anything about him, and knows none of his friends or associates. She cannot recall ever seeing him since she went to school.

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On June 20, 1968, ROGER BRUCE ELLIOTT, 9146 East Huntington Drive, San Gabriel, California, was contacted at his employment at Lucky Market, 133 West Avenue 45, Highland Park, California. ELLIOTT stated he had attended Junior High School and John Muir High School with SIRHAN SIRHAN. He did not remember him too well, other than to recall he was a quiet, retiring individual. He said they had never discussed political or social matters, and knew nothing further concerning him. ELLIOTT stated a cousin of his wife, SKIP LIEN, might know more about SIRHAN. LIEN works for the Market Basket grocery on North Lake Street in Altadena.

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by SA LLOYD D. JOHNSON/kaf Date dictated 6/20/68

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6/9/68

PETER SELFE, 2851 Montrose Avenue, Apartment B 7, La Crescenta, California, telephonically contacted SA PETER L. REDBURN and furnished the following information:

SIRHAN SIRHAN hung out in Shap's Bar, 2565 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California. Shap's reportedly is a bar where one can place a bet on horse races and due to the fear of having the hand book operation discovered, everyone at Shap's is afraid to talk to law enforcement officers. SELFE stated that SIRHAN usually placed his bets on horse races at this bar.

SELFE continued he met at Shap's through SELFE's brother, one GEORGE BEILICKE, who reportedly is an acquaintance of SIRHAN. BEILICKE is described as a German alien, about 40 years old, 5'8", 170 pounds, dark hair, medium complexion, employed as a machinist at Rogers and Olling on Walnut Avenue in Pasadena, and drives a white Chevrolet sedan, license QAU 483.

SELFE stated that BEILICKE loaned \$75 to one of SIRHAN's Jordanian friends and that the Jordanian will not or cannot repay the loan. BEILICKE approached the Jordanian with the \$75 and the Jordanian told him to leave him alone and threatened him with a knife. For this reason, BEILICKE is frightened and reluctant to talk about his relationship with SIRHAN's friends.

BEILICKE told SELFE that SIRHAN has five close friends he drinks with in Shap's Bar. He described them as two Jordanians, one Cuban, and two Americans. SELFE was unable to learn the names of these friends, but is certain BEILICKE knows them all.

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SELFIE stated BEILICKE told him the Jordanian friend of SIRHAN, to whom he loaned the \$75.00, is a young man who lives on Howard Street in Pasadena and attends Pasadena City College. SELFIE continued GEORGE told him that on the Sunday or Monday preceding the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, SIRHAN had a heated argument with one, several, or all of his five friends at a Denny's Restaurant in Pasadena.

SELFIE continued that GEORGE is a German National with a "chip on his shoulder," has strong German loyalty, a complex about being a foreigner, and is hard to get into a conversation.

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6/17/68

GEORGE BEILICKE was interviewed at his residence 112 Harkness Avenue, regarding his knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

BEILICKE said that he first met SIRHAN about two years ago, summer 1966. He said he knew that SIRHAN was a student at Pasadena City College and he recalls he saw him, off and on, a few times. He recalled that he had seen him in Shap's Cocktail Bar in Pasadena. He recalls that he mainly saw SIRHAN at Denny's Coffee Shop located down the street from Shap's Bar. BEILICKE said that he knew SIRHAN had some friends however he did not know the names or where they lived. He described these people as being foreigners and thought they were from the Middle East or Europe. He said that SIRHAN did have two American friends. He said that he never really associated with SIRHAN or his friends, and mainly saw them on the street from time to time. He said he first met a friend of SIRHAN named PAUL, last name not known, in Tyke's Bar in Pasadena, during summer 1965. He said he did not connect PAUL as being a friend of SIRHAN until after he had met SIRHAN and then he saw SIRHAN and PAUL together on several occasions. BEILICKE said he could not recall exactly where or when he had seen them together.

BEILICKE said that in either February or March 1966, he was at the Santa Anita Racetrack in Arcadia and he loaned PAUL \$75.00. That following summer he had occasion to meet PAUL either in a bar or a coffee shop and attempted to collect the \$75.00. BEILICKE said PAUL became belligerent and threatened him with a knife and told him, BEILICKE, to leave him alone. BEILICKE said that he has never tried to make any other effort to collect the \$75.00. The last time he saw PAUL was during the fall of 1966.

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BEILICKE described PAUL as follows:

Age	Mid-twenties
Height	5'6"
Weight	140 pounds
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Neat haircut style

PAUL mentioned on one occasion that he was a Lebanese. BEILICKE recalled that he had seen PAUL driving around Pasadena in a 1960 Volkswagen with the front end damaged to the extent that one of the headlights was not in working order.

BEILICKE said that he has gone to Shap's Bar on occasion but he cannot recall being there for the past two years. He says he usually frequents Denny's Coffee Shop and goes there during the early morning hours after he gets off work.

BEILICKE said the last time he saw SIRHAN in person was sometime during the middle of the week prior to the last week in May 1968. He said he had no conversation with him at that time other than to exchange greetings. BEILICKE said that he was not aware of any fight that SIRHAN was involved in at Denny's Coffee Shop.

BEILICKE was not able to furnish any further information concerning background, habits, or associates of SIRHAN and his friends. He said that he was not really friendly with SIRHAN and his friends and considered them to only be occasional acquaintances.

The following description was obtained from interview and observation:

Name	GEORGE BEILICKE
Alias	Gert
Sex	Male
Race	White

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Birth Data

[REDACTED]
Berlin, Germany

Height

5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Weight

158 pounds

Hair

Black

Eyes

Brown

Occupation

Machinist

Employment

Rogers and Olling Company

2470 Walnut Street

Pasadena, California

Since June 1967

Hours: 4:30 p.m. to midnight shift

Marital Status

Married

Wife: PATRICIA

BEILICKE said he is a German national. He exhibited a green Alien Registration Card No. [REDACTED], reflecting date of entry into the United States as April 21, 1965.

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GEORGE BEILICKE, 112 Harkness Avenue, Pasadena, furnished the following information:

Since last being interviewed, he has not been able to recall the last name of the person known to him as PAUL, who might have been a friend of SIRHAN SIRHAN. He reiterated that he has not seen PAUL since the Fall of 1966 and that he has not seen PAUL and SIRHAN SIRHAN talking together since prior to last seeing PAUL.

BEILICKE has been attempting to recall information regarding PAUL's employment and friends or acquaintances but, because they met rather haphazardly and infrequently almost two years ago, BEILICKE has not been able to recall any additional information regarding PAUL.

BEILICKE stated that he does not specifically recall ever mentioning to anybody that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been involved in a fight or argument at Denny's Restaurant in Pasadena a week or two prior to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. According to BEILICKE, he does not have any knowledge of such a fight or argument.

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GEORGE BEILICKE, 112 Harkness Avenue, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

BEILICKE does not know an individual named SAUL LE CLAIR. However, he did recall that PAUL KHOURY is the individual to whom he loaned \$75.00 at Santa Anita Race Track in February or March 1966 and KHOURY is also the individual whom BEILICKE had seen talking with SIRHAN SIRHAN during the summer of 1966.

BEILICKE could not provide any other pertinent information regarding PAUL KHOURY.

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7/11/68

PAUL KHOURY, 175 North Sierra Bonita, Pasadena, California, was contacted at his place of employment, Shell Service Station, Avenue 26 and Figueroa Street, Highland Park, and he furnished the following information:

He has been in California on a student visa since 1963, and has been enrolled at Pasadena City College (PCC) since his entry from Jordan.

During 1965, he resided at 128 North Sierra Bonita, Pasadena, and he became acquainted with SHARIF SIRHAN who was residing across the street. From SHARIF he learned that SIRHAN SIRHAN, SHARIF's brother, was attending PCC, but KHOURY did not meet SIRHAN SIRHAN until sometime in 1966 when he was introduced to SIRHAN SIRHAN in the PCC cafeteria. KHOURY could not recall who introduced them but it was a rather brief and informal meeting and KHOURY and SIRHAN SIRHAN did not talk together for any length of time. KHOURY did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN again for quite sometime when again they met in the PCC cafeteria. This meeting, too, was very brief and consisted of little more than saying hello.

The next time KHOURY saw SIRHAN SIRHAN was in February or March 1968, at Santa Anita Race Track. At that time, KHOURY was leaving the track and saw SIRHAN SIRHAN and GHABEL BADRAN in the crowd. KHOURY said hello to them, they acknowledged his greeting and KHOURY continued out of the track.

These three occasions were the only times KHOURY saw or spoke with SIRHAN SIRHAN and he could not provide any other information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN or any friends or acquaintances SIRHAN SIRHAN might have had. KHOURY never saw SIRHAN SIRHAN in Denny's Restaurant, Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, and he never visited the Lock, Stock and Barrel Gun Shop, San Gabriel, California, with SIRHAN.

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by SA JOHN M. CALLAGHAN/jmb - 590 - Date dictated 7/10/68

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6/17/68

ROBERT GIBBONS, Bartender, Shaps Bar, 2565 East Colorado Boulevard, observed a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and furnished the following information:

He has been employed at Shaps Bar for approximately the past four years, however, he had never seen the person pictured in the tavern. GIBBONS works two days and three nights a week behind the bar and always works the weekend nights.

GIBBONS could not provide any pertinent information regarding friends or acquaintances of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

According to GIBBONS, the manager of Shaps, EDWARD WARD, and another bartender, GARY MEZA, also work behind the bar but GIBBONS had not heard them mention ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in Shaps.

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On June 28, 1968, EDWARD WARD, 549 North Sunset, West Covina, California, was interviewed at Shap's Bar, 2565 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California, where he is employed as a bartender.

WARD was interviewed regarding information to the fact that SIRHAN B. SIRHAN may have frequented the Shap's Bar. WARD was shown photographs of ADEL B. SIRHAN, SHARIF B. SIRHAN, SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN, MUNIR B. SIRHAN, and SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. WARD advised that to the best of his knowledge SIRHAN B. SIRHAN has never been in the Shap's Bar while he was on duty. He stated that the photographs of MUNIR B. SIRHAN and ADEL B. SIRHAN seemed somewhat familiar but he could not state whether or not either of them had been in Shap's Bar.

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by SA FREDRICK E. BECKER/les - 592 - Date dictated 6/28/68

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Mrs. RUBY MERSON, Owner and Manager, Denny's Restaurant, Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, furnished the following information:

She is the Day-Time Manager of Denny's Restaurant, the only Denny's Restaurant in Pasadena, and she has never known SIRHAN SIRHAN to frequent this restaurant. She was not aware of any quarrel or argument at the restaurant in which SIRHAN SIRHAN may have participated and she did not know any friends or acquaintances of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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7/8/68

OLETA WILSON, Manager, Denny's Restaurant, 2625 Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

She is the night manager of Denny's Restaurant and is usually at the restaurant from 3:30 P.M. to 2:00 A.M. However, on Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday nights, she normally works until 3:00 or 4:00 A.M. because a large number of customers come to Denny's after the closing of Shap's Bar, which is located one block west of Denny's on Colorado Boulevard. She believes that on these nights Shap's sponsors band and dance contests and draws a large crowd.

She observed a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and advised she is not acquainted with him nor is she aware that SIRHAN SIRHAN was ever a customer of the restaurant she manages. She did not have any knowledge of an argument or quarrel at Denny's in which SIRHAN SIRHAN may have participated and she had not received any information from any other Denny's employee about such an argument.

OLETA WILSON could not provide any information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN or any of his friends or acquaintances.

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by SA JOHN M. CALLAGHAN/vjh - 594 - Date dictated 7/8/68

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On June 25, 1968, GARY MEZA, 1000 South El Molino, Alhambra, California, was interviewed at Shaps Bar, 2565 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California, where he is employed as a bartender.

MEZA was interviewed regarding information to the fact that SIRHAN B. SIRHAN may have frequented the Shaps Bar. MEZA was shown photographs of ADEL B. SIRHAN, SHARIF B. SIRHAN, SAIDALLAH B. SIRHAN, MUNIR B. SIRHAN, and SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. MEZA stated that to the best of his knowledge SIRHAN B. SIRHAN has not frequented Shaps Bar while he was on duty. MEZA was unable to identify any of the persons of which he was shown photographs as persons who frequent the Shaps Bar.

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On June 6, 1968, WALTER S. CROWE, JR., a friend of SIRHAN SIRHAN, advised that among the Arabs with whom SIRHAN was friendly at Pasadena City College was one ABDUL DABBAS (phonetic), a teacher of Arabic at the college during the time SIRHAN attended.

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On June 10, 1968, Mrs. DIANE POMEROY, 460 East Sacramento Street, Altadena, California, advised ABDUL DABBAS, part-time teacher at Pasadena City College, had rented a room from her mother-in-law, Mrs. MARGARET POMEROY, two or three years ago. She did not recall the exact period of time during which he resided there, but she understood he had returned to Jordan. Mrs. POMEROY furnished the address of MARGARET POMEROY as 26328 Monte Vista, Lomita, California, and believed she had last heard from DABBAS in approximately August 1967, from Jordan.

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On June 10, 1968, Mrs. ALICE MOTHERSHEAD, Director, Community Liaison Center, Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, advised she was in charge of the activities of the International Club on the campus. She stated her department was a volunteer service, and she was not a part of the faculty. She stated that to her knowledge, there was no Organization of Arab Students, or any clubs recognized on the campus which were comprised of foreign students of one nationality. She stated she had checked her records, and had no record of SIRHAN SIRHAN belonging to the International Club, and had no knowledge concerning him. She stated he would not have been included in a Foreign Students Registry, since he was an immigrant to the United States, and was not here on a foreign student's visa. Mrs. MOTHERSHEAD had no record of a student by the name of MUSTAFA SERMAIN (phonetic), being affiliated with the International Club. She did recall ABDUL DABBAS, and first came in contact with him in 1956, when he was present at Pasadena City College on an immigrant visa. She stated she had rented him a room or space in her house for a brief period; however, he was older and an independent man, and preferred to rent a room by himself, so left after staying at her address very briefly. He gave the address of 1611 South Fourth Avenue, Arcadia, as that of friends, and at another location in her records. She stated he had a sponsor residing in Arcadia, so it was the assumption of Mrs. MOTHERSHEAD that the people at this address might have been his sponsors when he entered the United States. The last record Mrs. MOTHERSHEAD had of DABBAS was that she had talked to him briefly in 1962, and she had no knowledge of his present whereabouts.

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On June 10, 1968, Dr. LESLIE KOLTAI, Director of Research and head of the Language Department, Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, advised he recalled a part-time night teacher by the name of ABDUL A. DABBAS. He stated DABBAS did not have full-time employment as there was not sufficient interest in the Arabic language to justify such employment. Dr. KOLTAI understood DABBAS had studied at California State College at Los Angeles, and did work toward a Doctorate Degree at the University of California at Los Angeles. DABBAS had worked under the supervision of the Department of Near Eastern Studies at that institution, and the Department Head at that time was Dr. WOLF LESLAU. Dr. KOLTAI had no knowledge of the present whereabouts of DABBAS

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On June 10, 1968, Dean of Community Services ALBERT V. BEAN, who handles night school teachers and students at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, advised his records reflected no student by the name of MUSTAFA SERMAIN (phonetic), had attended that college between 1963 and 1966.

Mr. BEAN advised his records reflected a part-time teacher at night by the name of ABDULMAJIA A. DABBAS, who had taught from January 31, 1962 through the spring semester of 1966. DABBAS taught Arabic. DABBAS had indicated residence addresses during this period of 1271 Morada Place, Altadena, California, and 460 East Sacramento Street, Altadena. Mr. BEAN had no knowledge of the current whereabouts of DABBAS; however, DABBAS indicated upon departing Pasadena City College that he was expecting to go to an unrecalled middle eastern country.

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Mrs. MARGARET POMEROY, 26328 Monte Vista, Lomita, California, telephone number 326-8044, advised that she was well acquainted with ABDULMAJID DABBAS, also known as Abdul Dabbas. POMEROY said she has known DABBAS for a period of eight to ten years and for a period of about one year in 1966 and 1967 he rented a cottage from her located at the rear of 460 East Sacramento Street, Altadena, California. She said that during that period she resided at the main residence at 460 East Sacramento Street, which is her property.

Mrs. POMEROY said that DABBAS returned to his native country, Jordan about one year ago and she corresponded with him for a period up until late 1967. She said the last time she heard from DABBAS was during Christmas holidays in 1967 when she received a Christmas card from DABBAS postmarked Jordan with no return address.

She said that DABBAS mentioned in the Christmas card that he was returning to the United States sometime during the summer of 1968 and she said that if DABBAS arrived in the United States, she would be in touch with him.

POMEROY stated that she previously wrote to DABBAS at a Post Office box in Amman, Jordan, but she would not disclose this post office box number inasmuch as it was assigned to a friend of DABBAS' and DABBAS was no longer using this post office box.

POMEROY said that she did not know, nor had she ever met, SIRHAN SIRHAN and stated that she was introduced to SIRHAN's mother, sister, and possibly two brothers about eight years ago by DABBAS. POMEROY said it was possibly that someone once had introduced her to the SIRHAN family but

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she was quite sure it was DABBAS, although she was acquainted with many Arabs. POMEROY said she met the SIRHAN family on this one occasion and knew nothing about their beliefs or activities.

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V. M. DICKERSON, Registrar, California State College at Los Angeles, advised that according to the school's records ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was a student and received a BA degree in English from the school in January, 1962.

He advised that because an agreement was made with the student body, the students admission records and applications for admission records are confidential and cannot be furnished without the approval of the student.

He said in order to review these records, a clearance will have to be obtained from the Director of Admissions, Mr. HAROLD H. TEMMER; and if permission is granted, it will take approximately one week to recall the files from the State Archives.

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KATHLEEN FOSGATE, Clerk, University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA), Registrar's Office, advised that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was unknown to her and furnished the following information from the school's files:

Name	ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Salt or Sait, Jordan
Home Address	460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California (7/13/64)
Parent	ABDULLAH DABBAS - deceased
Marital Status	Single
Nationality	American Citizen
Arrived in California	July, 1956
Roster Number	G17429000
Student File Number	190960
Received Masters Degree	January 27, 1965 - Near East Language and Literature
Admitted	September, 1963

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According to an application for admission to graduate studies dating August 19, 1963, he furnished his home address as 460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California, and that he had attended the following schools:

Egyptian College of Journalism
Cairo, Egypt
September, 1954 - July, 1955
Received diploma
Arabic Journalism, 1955

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He taught at the following schools:

Pasadena City College

From January 30, 1962 to the present (8/19/63)

El Monte School District

September, 1962 - January, 1963

Tri-Community Adult School

Covina

January, 1963 to the present (8/19/63)

School records further disclosed a notation in their files dated August 13, 1964, "Session of the Examining Committee took place at the Near Eastern Center on August 12, 1964. Committee included Professors Von Grunebaum, Kamshad, Moshe Pearlmann, Tomiche." This notation was signed by MOSHE PEARLMANN.

The records further disclosed that a diploma was mailed to ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS to his home address 460 East Sacramento, Altadena, California, on July 9, 1965, via registered mail and the return receipt disclosed that the mail was signed for by a MARGARET R. POMEROY.

Miss FOSGATE concluded that Dr. WOLF LESLAU is presently on leave from the university for six months and that he is scheduled to return in about two weeks from Ethiopia. She said that at that time he may be contacted in the Department of Near East Languages and Literature, telephone number 272-8911, extension 3589.

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PEARL CHO, Clerk, California State College, Los Angeles, Admissions and Records Section, advised that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was unknown to her, however, according to their records, he was a student admitted to the college in February, 1960, and has student number 60413.

At the time he was admitted to the school, he made application for the school to accept 80 units, however, the school only accepted 64 of his units. Their records disclosed that his date of birth is [REDACTED] that he majored in English receiving a BA degree January 26, 1962.

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She advised that other pertinent information regarding his records will have to be obtained from the Registrar because of an agreement made with the student body these records are confidential.

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DAVID A. ROBINSON, Assistant Director of Admissions, Foreign Students, University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, California, telephone number 746-2565, advised that he was unable to locate any records to disclose that ABDULMAJID ABDULLAH DABBAS was ever a student at the school. He said their records cover both graduates and undergraduates.

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On June 10, 1968, Mrs. ALICE ALLEN, Secretary to Dean IRVIN G. LEWIS, Administrative Dean of Student Personnel Services, Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, caused a search of the records for a student by the name of MUSTAFA SERMAIN (phonetic), and of other names phonetically similar, between the years 1963 and 1966; however, no record identifiable with such an individual was located.

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